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CORRECTION

I wish to state that my recent case *v.* Canidrome in the French Court, the charge of which was DRUGGING, was quite distinct from the former case. Full details of this unreported case will appear later.

CHAS. JORGE.

Shanghai, July 19, 1937.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Directors have this day declared an Interim Dividend on account of the year ending October 31, 1937 of Fifty Chinese Dollar Cents per share payable on July 23, 1937, to Shareholders on record on that date.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,

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Shanghai, July 13. 1937.

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C. D. LONGHURST,
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Shanghai, July 15, 1937.

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Dr. H. A. LORENTZ.
Attorney for
Mrs. Cläre Bieger-Paulun.

Shanghai, July 15, 1937. 8413

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Seventh Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon & Co. Ltd., Sassoon House, Shanghai, on Thursday, July 22, 1937, at 4 p.m. for the following purposes:—

To receive the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1937; to elect Directors; to elect Auditors, and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from July 12 to July 22 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares will be effected.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

TURNER, STURROCK & BROWN,
Secretaries.

Shanghai, July 8, 1937.

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The Transfer Books and Share Registers of the Company will be closed from July 17 to July 21, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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Shanghai, July 8, 1937.

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The Transfer Books and Share Registers of the Company will be closed from July 17 to July 21, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

J. A. WATTIE & CO., LTD.,
Secretaries and General Managers.

Shanghai, July 9, 1937.

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THE RUBBER TRUST, LIMITED

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Directors have this day declared an Interim Dividend on account of the year ending September 30, 1937 of Twenty Chinese Dollar cents per share payable on July 26, 1937, to Shareholders on record on that date.

The Transfer Books and Share Registers of the Company will be closed from July 21 to July 26, 1937, both days inclusive.

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WORK FOR THE BLIND

A Visit Postponed

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—For the information of many organizations and interested individuals may I ask the courtesy of your columns to give the most recent news with reference to the hoped for visit of Miss Helen Keller to China?

When it was learned during the winter that Miss Keller was to visit Japan on invitation from Japanese organizations in the interests of the work for the blind and deaf of that country, it was voted to invite her to extend her trip if possible to China, as the guest of various organizations, headed by the National Child Welfare Association of China.

A special committee was appointed to make arrangements for her entertainment and itinerary and as my wife and I were personal friends of Miss Keller and her friend and companion, Miss Polly Thomson, I was asked to convey the invitation and to ask the Japanese authorities whether this would be acceptable to them.

This was done at once, several communications being sent, but doubtless because of the fact that Miss Keller and Miss Thomson were travelling constantly, no letter was received by Miss Keller until July 4, when my letter of April 29 came to hand.

In her reply Miss Thomson speaks of her regret that the letter was not received earlier and goes on to say,

"Miss Keller and I are more disappointed and grieved than words can express that we have lost the opportunity of doing what we can for the blind and deaf of China. It would have been a memorable climax to our wonderful tour of Japan,

"In any case, Mr. Fryer, we could not have remained in the East longer, as we start out on a campaign for the American Foundation for the autumn. Perhaps, however, you will invite Miss Keller and me again under circumstances that will make it possible for us to accept....

"With renewed deep regrets that we did not get to China after all and with Miss Keller's and my kindest regards, I remain, very sincerely yours, Polly Thomson."

GEORGE B. FRYER.

Superintendent and Secretary
Institution for the Chinese Blind

Shanghai, July 19.

A KARATSU HOLIDAY

What About the Dog?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I am intending to take my dog with me on a holiday to Karatsu, Japan, and would appreciate very much if one of your readers who has been there could let me know if it is safe.

DOG LOVER.

Shanghai, July 19.

PASSING ON THE LEFT

Proposed Remedy

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Passing on the left is a popular practice in Shanghai. When indulged in with left-hand drive cars it is definitely dangerous.

As there seems to be no means of preventing it, the Councils could at least diminish it by prohibiting the importation of left-hand drive cars for permanent use.

My compliments to the drivers of two such cars on Avenue Joffre this morning, and regrets that mine is not an "armoured" car.

R. H. DRIVE.

Shanghai, July 19.

***The Chinese Government, not the Councils, has power to forbid importations. It is considered that traffic regulation 27 has diminished the evil complained of. It runs:

A driver when stopping his vehicle in a roadway for the purpose of taking up or setting down of passengers or for any other reason (except in obedience to police instructions) shall do so with the left side of the vehicle as close to the left kerb as possible.

POSTAL ORGANIZATION

A Bundle of Facts

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I am sure that the Postal Authorities will welcome the "Bundle of Suggestions" offered to them by "A. QUE."

The first suggestion advanced is a practice which, I have ascertained, has been in force ever since the Post Office was established. Mails are invariably forwarded by the steamer reaching destination first and not the first steamer to leave port as stated and this applies to all categories of mails.

Likewise, I have also been informed that mail matter for the Yangtsze Ports are always forwarded by rail to Nanking for further transmission by water. "A. QUE." should refer to the Post Office daily notice which appears in all the Local Press, and at a glance he will see how the various mails are routed.

I am also informed that all Sub-Offices have receptacles for receiving letters, newspapers and printed matter of ordinary mailing size. If occasionally a package is unusually large, it may be handed over to the counter employee who will take care of them.

While the Postal Administration is only too anxious to give as many facilities to the Public as possible, it follows that at times there are unexpected rushes which cannot always be foreseen. When the rush becomes a daily occurrence matters are readjusted at once.

No too much reliance should be granted to statements made by friends but any fact reported to Shanghai Director of Posts will, I am sure, receive immediate personal attention—in fact, suggestion and complaints supported with the required data are welcome.

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A. HEAD.

Shanghai, July 19.

MALE AND FEMALE

A Census Problem

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Will you, or any of your correspondents, throw light on a problem that is causing a small internecine war in Amoy: What percentage or proportion of the total population of the British Isles is represented by females? Both camps agree that females outnumber males (come on girls!), but Camp A maintains 3-1, which is obviously wrong; and Camp B maintains 21-20, which is mainfestly incorrect.

Reliable and up to date reference books are unobtainable in Amoy; otherwise the incident would be quietly and decently settled by one of the local intelligentsia, without calling on Greater China for aid.

Will anyone arbitrate? Giving reference sources.

SHELLBACK.

Amoy, July 15.

***Taking the last census figures as given in Whitaker's Almanack the proportion can be thus judged:

	Males	Females
England and Wales	19,133,010	20,819,367
Scotland	2,325,867	2,516,687
Ireland	2,114,977	2,113,576
Islands	66,447	75,952
Total	23,640,301	25,625,982

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Old Traditions

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—H.A.T. is right in quoting William C. Hunter and his book "The Fankwai" at Canton before Treaty Days, 1825-1844," in which Hunter says the word "maskee" is from Portuguese origin. The learned author, however, was incorrect when he said that "maskee" was derived from the Portuguese word "masqué," as such a word does not exist in the Portuguese language.

"Maskee" probably originated from the expression "mas que" in the Portuguese language. "Mas" is an adverb corresponding to "but" in English. "Que" is sometimes a relative pronoun (in English *who, which* and *that*) and other times a conjunction (*that*). The expression "mas que" is used at times as *although* in English, for instance.—"mas que assim fosse" (although it is so, let it be so, or never mind). "Que" (keh) is pronounced "qui" (kee) in *patois* of Macau. The two distinct words "mas que" may have been used in *patois* at the time of the said Treaty Days as one word, "masqui", meaning, *let it be so* or *never mind*. This word is now generally spelt in English "maskee."

THUCY.

Shanghai, July 17.

HOT WEATHER MUSING

"Ships and Sealing Wax"

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Like your correspondent, "H.A.T.," the present writer also sympathizes with Chinese officialdom in its desperate endeavour to find money to make ends meet," but in this connection, "for ways that are dark, etc.," the G.P.O. is decidedly "peculiar."

In this sealing-wax racket, it is wondered just how much revenue the Postal Officials expect to raise to assist an impecunious administration?

A few days ago one of the writer's daughters went to the G.P.O. to send off a draft for several hundred yen, by registered and insured post.

Fees of various kinds were demanded and paid but the limit was reached when a demand was made for five cents, to defray the cost of the sealing-wax which, apparently the regulations require should be daubed upon such postal packets.

Of course, every mickle will make a muck-up, or words to that effect but this sealing-wax ramp would seem to be the absolute limit of piffling pettiness.

In this quest for increased revenue, it is not impossible that ere long a fee will be demanded for a dab of the evil-smelling muck, on hand at some branch Post Offices, the which is to reinforce the anaemic non-adhesive adhesive with which the Chinese stamps are provided?

As a little practical sympathy is worth a ton of criticism, the present scribe, in his desire to facilitate the provision of special-week-end-trains, motor-cars, sing-song ladiettes and other Departmental necessities, makes the two following suggestions.

These, if favourably considered, might render unnecessary such "small pidgin" as this sealing-wax "squeeze."

1. Tackle the Shanghai Waterworks and send the Company a bill for the many millions of gallons of Chinese water drawn from a Chinese river.

2. Morality and religion, it would appear are merely a matter of Latitude, the nearer the Equator, the nearer to godliness. In Singapore, for example, few or any steamers are found loading or discharging on The Lord's Day. In godless Shanghai it is otherwise.

In the Crown Colony again, loading or discharging may only be carried on at prohibitive expense, the intention of the authorities being to discourage Sunday labour as much as possible.

Here again Shanghai shows up badly, as may be noted by any observer who takes a trip down the harbour on one of the Government ferries as, on ocean or coasting steamer alike, the work goes on, Sunday being no different to any other day.

It is wondered, in this connection, how the Padre of the Missions to Seamen can reconcile his visits on board, with clattering winches, the howling of Chinese labourers, the while perspiring and profane mates rush around, doing their utmost to accelerate the work, on what some wight with a sardonic sense of humour termed "The Day of Rest."

Here, again, is a revenue-producing hint to the Chinese Customs. There exists a precedent for appropriate action, as some thirty years ago the Commissioner at Wuhu, desirous of putting a stop to Sunday labour and giving his staff a rest, made the cost of a Sunday Permit prohibitive and it worked.

It is tentatively suggested that the cost of a permit, to work on Sundays loading or discharging, be $3,000, with a double rate for night work.

For loading or discharging coal or cargo upon any other day, between the hours 5 p.m. and 7 a.m. $1,000, these rates equally applicable to coasters or ocean steamers.

There would seem to be more in the above than in sealing-wax.

JIM CROW.

Shanghai, July 18.

KWANGTUNG'S NEW HIGHWAYS

Inter-Provincial and Regional Routes Now Planned

Highway construction in Kwangtung has received a great impetus since the assumption of the concurrent post of director of the Highway Bureau by General Hsu Ching-tang, Commissioner of Reconstruction of Kwangtung, says a Central News message from Canton.

After a survey of highway communication in the province, General Hsu, with the assistance of experts, has formulated a new project for highway construction.

This new project calls for the completion of highways linking Kwangtung with the neighbouring provinces at an early date, and the construction of more provincial and regional highways.

In aid of highway construction in Kwangtung the Central Government recently appropriated $3,000,000. Considering this amount insufficient to meet the needs of the new project, General Hsu has telegraphed to the Central authorities petitioning for an additional appropriation of $5,000,000, or the issuance of bonds to the same amount if it is beyond the financial resources of the central treasury at the present juncture.

The inter-provincial highways to be constructed immediately include the Hunan-Kwangtung and the Kiangsi-Kwangtung highways, whose completion will bring these southern provinces much closer.

The New Highways

The new provincial highways provided in the project include Takongkou-Chukiang highway, 70 li in length; the Ongyuan-Chihhsing highway, measuring 150 li; the Huahsien-Ongyuan highway, 160 li; the Yingtak-Lienhsien highway, 552 li; the Yinhsien-Kwangsi highway, 27 li; the Kwangtung section of the Kwangtung-Yunnan highway, 40 li; and the Kaoyao-Fengchuen highway, 260 li.

These highways, aggregating a total length of 1,259 li, are expected to be completed within the current year.

The regional highways to be constructed this year include the Huaching-Yoyuan highway, 120 li; the Hopu-Shankou highway, 57 li; the Tapu-Yaoping highway, 148 li; the Lienping-Lungmen highway, 170 li; the Sanshu-Huahsien highway, 90 li; the Huahsien-Chuntien highway, 25 li; and the Chingyun-Chuchi highway, 20 li.

Construction of these regional highways, aggregating a total length of 630 li, will be started this month and is expected to be completed within the current year.

NEW ZEALAND-U.S.A. BY AIR

New Route to Start Operating by End of the Year

By the end of 1937 the world's largest flying boats, carrying 48 passengers, will be traversing in five days the trans-Pacific trail first blazed by Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith, says a United Press message from Sydney.

This has been made certain by the successful termination of eighteen months of negotiations between the New Zealand Government and Pan-American Airways. During the course of these negotiations, the paramount consideration of the New Zealand Government was to safeguard British interests, not only actual but potential.

The agreement finally reached grants permission to Pan-American to operate flying boats for ten years to Auckland, the service to be operated without subsidy or other financial assistance from the New Zealand government. The final link between New Zealand and Sydney will be operated temporarily either by a British or an Australian company.

To begin with, there will be only a fortnightly service which later will be increased to a weekly service, assurance having been given that during the period of the concession no discriminatory tax will be levied against the American concern in favour of any British or Australian concern that might seek to inaugurate a similar service.

"An Open Road"

In other words, an "open road" policy for British and American aircraft on the trans-Pacific route has been agreed upon. Bases to be constructed by Pan-American Airways will be available for Imperial Airways, the British concern, when it is ready to begin operation.

Extension of the Pan-American air service from Auckland, New Zealand, to Sydney is expected when Imperial Airways enters upon the field of operations.

If present plans for additional services are adopted, it will be possible to fly from Sydney to San Francisco by way of New Zealand and Guam in six days and by way of New Zealand alone in five days. When the Netherlands service from Java to Manila is in operation, Australia will be within nine days from the United States by that route.

Statistics compiled by the civil aviation board show that mileage flown on regular air transport services in Australia has trebled since 1935.

For the year ending March 8, 1937, 5,834,244 miles had been flown on Australian lines compared with 1,859,324 miles for the year ending February 4, 1935. Since 1935 the mileage served by operating companies has increased from 6,916 miles to 18,321 miles.

MARINE FOSSILS IN THE HIMALAYAS

Were Those Regions Ever in The Bed of the Sea?

STRANGE DISCOVERIES IN KASHMIR

Were the Himalayan regions at any time in the bed of the sea?

Did the huge pre-historic animals, which it is difficult to visualise, even by guess, at any time roam over these wide expanses?

Speculation on these lines will, no doubt, be encouraged by the finds of marine fossils in these regions, reported in the annual report of the Geological Survey of India for 1936.

Thus among the fossils collected by Mr. N. K. N. Iyengar of the Geological Survey of India, from the Udhampur area (Kashmir), there are some which have been provisionally identified as Arius (fish), found in the Lower Siwaliks, Hydaspitherium, found in the Middle Siwaliks, and Hippopotamus, found in the Upper Siwaliks.

Other discoveries include giraffe, rhinoceros, stegodon and elephas. Of the collection made by Mr. Iyengar in this area a stegodon skull found near Parmandal has already been handed over to the Kashmir Durbar, and the Siwalik fossils are also being returned to them after identification.

A few vertebrate fossils from the Siwaliks of the Attock district stored in the Campbellpore Museum were sent to the Department by the Deputy-Commissioner of the District for identification. The specimens, consisting of isolated bones, which in the case of the Proboscidians, do not lend themselves to specific determination, unless more complete skeletons are available, were referred to the genus Mastodon. The genus Rhinoceros is also recorded among the remains. These fossils were returned after identification, and a popular account of the Siwalik mammals, together with some photographs of restoration of certain extinct reptiles and mammals, was presented to the Campbellpore Museum.

Sent to America

Interesting primates and other vertebrate fossils were also collected from Hari Talyangar in the Bilaspur State in the Punjab, and despatched to America for examination, while in Dewal, seven miles north-east of Kotsaran in the Attock district, Punjab, important finds included a few teeth of Hipparion, a mandibular ramus of one of the Suidoe, and a cervine horn core.

A complete list of casts of the Siwalik vertebrate fossils available for exchange or sale has been prepared by the Department. A request was made by Yale University, United States of America, for casts of certain primate fossils. Some of these have been sent and the remainder are under preparation. A similar request received from Anthropological Department of the Calcutta University is being complied with.

Besides making the collections themselves, the Department also help persons and institutions, who seek their aid, with opinion about specimens sent to them for interpretation.

S.V.C. ORDERS

Corps Routine Orders by Colonel F. R. W. Graham, Commanding Shanghai Volunteer Corps.

Officers:—The following extracts from the Municipal Gazette dated July 16, 1937, are published for information:—Infantry:—"B" Company.—The undermentioned appointment is made: Lieut. L. A. Whittaker to be Assistant Superintendent of Weapon Training, July 5, 1937. Promotion:—Lieut. L. A. Whittaker, "B" Company to be temp. Captain while employed as Assistant Superintendent of Weapon Training, additional to his duties as an Officer of "B" Co.

Unit Command:—Capt. W. C. Farnham, re-assumes command of the American Company with effect from 17-7-37.

Strength:—Increase.—The undermentioned are taken on the strength of the Corps and their units on dates shown. Corps Troops:—Armoured Car Co., J. M. Houghton, 17-7-37; Japanese Co., J. Akasaka, 15-7-37; M. Saito, 15-7-37; Y. Oba, 15-7-37; M. Kato, 15-7-37, Y. Nagao, 15-7-37; K. Kojima, 15-7-37; K. Shimazu, 15-3-7; T. Yasutomi, 15-7-37. "A" Battalion:—"B" Co., J. A. Davis, 12-7-37. "C" Battalion:—No. 3 (Vol.) Co., V. M. Menkoff, 17-3-37. Decrease:—The undermentioned are taken off the strength of the Corps and their units on dates shown:—Corps Troops:—Japanese Co., Y. Nanri, 17-7-37, leaving Shanghai. "A" Battalion:—"C" Co., H. Garwood, 17-7-37, business Reasons.

Leave:—Headquarters, Maj. T. A. Zee, from 18-7-37 to 31-8-37. American (M. G.) Co., Lieut. L. F. Bright from 16-7-37 to 7-8-37. No. 3 (Vol.) Co., "C" Bn., Lieut. V. A. Sokoloff from 17-7-37 to 8-8-37. Reserve of Officers, Maj. W. E. Sauer from 9-7-37 to 6-9-37.

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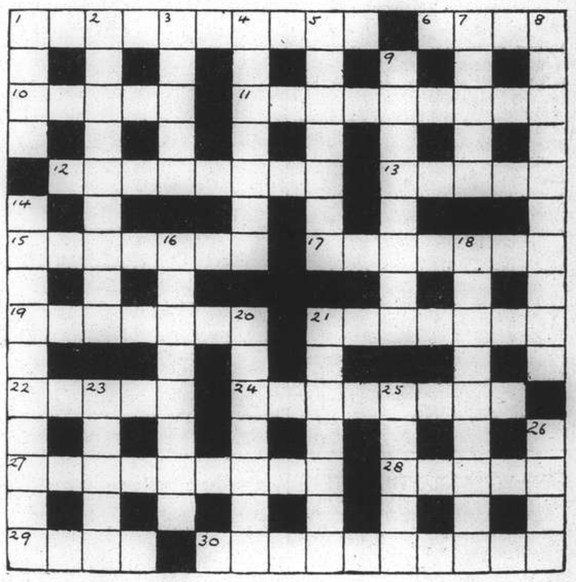

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1 A second mate who made history (two words)
6 Foreign state that might become high in France
10 An in and out feature of tramp life
11 If a policeman ever charges you with this, a doctor might help you
12 A rotten fish is certainly irritating
13 A cart with this might go off
15 An exclusive notice
17 Not an engaging answer
19 May describe a sober Scot at a dance, perhaps
21 A youngster in agony is a pattern of chivalry
22 Colour suggestion of mathematical symbol in the ocean
24 A crooked deal in the place of the accused brings everything to a standstill
27 Tool to give effect to
28 A prelude to a strike?
29 Flowers can make this gay
30 "Run, I'm ended" (anag.)

DOWN

1 Curved form of fish
2 Without the third letter the story would be simple about an animal
3 This is inclined to run down
4 It seems absurd, but here the window includes a room
5 A woman may get her face lifted but she cannot get this
7 Tendency
8 The coast separates this from the sea
9 Contemptuous
14 Prison pose may lead to severity
16 Lively suggestion that Annie has found a husband at last
18 "Attractive quality".
20 Fish
21 The speech of the one who shakes it beheaded
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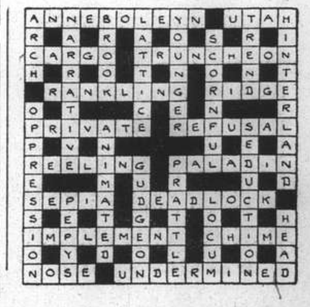

The Woman's Page

A MAYFAIR NOTEBOOK

THE DUCHESS OF KENT'S FIRST VISIT TO WIMBLEDON : A PRACTICAL POETESS WINS THE HAWTHORNDEN PRIZE

By Philine

London, June 25.

This week the Duchess of Kent paid her first visit to Wimbledon. The Duke of Kent is president of the All England Club and usually pays more than one visit, driving himself in his large black sports car. Both the Duke and Duchess are keen players and have had a hard court constructed at Coppins, their country home. Royal mourning and the calls of her young family have previously prevented the Duchess from coming to watch the matches.

Another royal lady who will pay her first visit to Wimbledon is Princess Elizabeth. She is learning to play on the hard courts in the Palace Gardens. The King, who has played at Wimbledon with Commander Greig in the men's doubles, hopes to take the Queen and Princess Elizabeth there next week.

Acknowledged fashion leader as she is, the Duchess of Kent shows us that the well-dressed woman need not be always attempting to give a different effect. Recently she has been wearing the same suit at a number of different functions. The suit is of red and white printed silk, plainly tailored. The hat which she wears with it is of matching red in colour, the material a coarse plaited straw, sailor shape. The Duchess usually wears two silver foxes slung about her shoulders with this suit.

Red and white are liked also by the Duchess's small son, Prince Edward, whose linen suits are frequently checked in this colour scheme. He and his baby sister may be seen just now in the afternoons being wheeled in their black perambulators with the cool holland awnings lined in navy blue. Their walks take them either to Belgrave Square Gardens or to the grounds of Buckingham Palace. Few passers-by, however, recognize the young royalties on their way.

More Souvenirs

Novelties in Coronation souvenirs are the butterflies which an Oxford Street dress house is now showing. These are made to pin in a buttonhole or on a hat, of the same purple velvet which was used for the Coronation robes of the King and Queen. They cost five shillings each. For two shillings the same firm is selling similar butterflies made of the red velvet which fashioned peers' and peeress' robes.

Modern Poetess

Are poets growing more practical than of old? Once upon a time a poet starved in a garret if his verse was not appreciated, or even died of a broken heart. Miss Ruth Pitter, a poetess of to-day, does none of these things, even while admitting that up to now her poetry has never earned for her more than seven pounds a year. Instead she runs an arts and crafts shop in Chelsea, in partnership with a friend. Now she has been rewarded with this year's Hawthornden prize—one hundred pounds.

Wearing a light printed silk frock, long black gloves and a red sash, Miss Pitter shyly acknowledged the honour bestowed on her. She has been writing poetry for many years and has published five volumes. The latest is "A Trophy of Arms," which won the award. The Hawthornden prize is given annually for the best book of the year, either prose or poetry, written by an author under forty years of age. The founder, Miss Alice Warrender, was in the chair at the prize-giving at the Eolian Hall.

Descended from Mrs. Siddons

The censor's ban on Laurence Housman's play, "Victoria Regina" expired with the hundredth anniversary of the accession of Queen Victoria. This week, one hundred years and a day after the great Queen came to the throne, the drama had its first West End presentation.

The Hon. Pamela Stanley plays the part of the Queen. She is the sister of Lord Stanley of Alderley, and family links with the stage go back through the Dowager Lady Stanley to the 18th century and the great Mrs. Siddons, sister of an ancestor of Lord Stanley's mother. The Dowager Lady Stanley at one time acted with Nigel Playfair, taught all her children to act in their nursery days, and has helped her second daughter to build up her conception of Queen Victoria's character.

Colouring Amber

When brown went out of fashion, the wearing of amber for necklaces and ornaments went out too, although its light weight makes it one of the most comfortable of neck decorations. Recently, however, a new process has been discovered which makes it possible for amber to be coloured blue, rose, green or any shade desired. When dyed by this process the amber is washable without danger; strong sea air is the only thing that may affect it.

Coloured amber is now being made into earrings, broches, clips and bracelets, as well as necklaces; and women who glory in colour will be able to wear several amber ornaments together, in a variety of different shades. Owners of amber beads which may have been laid away because of the colour, will now be able to have them dyed to any shade they fancy.

Fashion Snapshots

The craze for ballet, now sweeping London, extends to skirt lengths. The new length for frocks for dinner-at-home or cinema wear is the near-angle length as seen in "Les Sylphides" ballet.

Printed coats, ankle length or longer, are worn for every sort of occasion. Those for evening wear are of patterned brocade, or organza, or even linen; tight-waisted, just meeting in front, long-sleeved and high-shouldered.

For the beach they are being shown of cretonne lined with terry towelling and wrapping over in front. In vividly hued printed linen or silk, and just calf length, these coats go over thin frocks in a dark colour, such as navy or black in the afternoons.

Cut-out flowers in felt, chiffon or silk weight the hems of afternoon dresses. Similar flowers are massed on the reveres of evening jackets and make attractive edgings to the short bolero jackets now in vogue.

New Frames for Old

Housewives whose attics hold some of those old-fashioned picture frames of heavy gilt may be glad to know of a Londoner's method of modernizing them. Nowadays they can be treated so that they do not look out of key with tht prevailing simplicity in decoration. Clean the frame with methylated spirit. When it is quite dry apply a thin coat of white paint mixed with a little silver sand.

Then with a clean piece of cotton wipe off the paint at various points of the design, so that the gilt shows through on the high lights. If the frame is to hang in a room whose walls are cream washed or papered, cream paint will be more in harmony than the white. These frames are very popular now, used for mirror glass instead of a print or a painting.

Mid-Season Fashions

A new idea is the enlivening of a black or navy blue dress or suit with a gaily flowered velvet waistcoat. The woman with nimble fingers will see in this possibilities for the rejuvenation of an out-moded garment. The same flowered velvet is used as a short straight scarf, tied stock fashion under a v-necked frock—another useful notion. The vogue for the most brilliant colourings continues in the field flowers which embroider many of the new shantungs and tussores.

Leather sounds the most unlikely sort of trimming for a dance frock. Yet a London dress designer is actually using it in an extremely novel way. A black frock of marquisette is scattered over with pale pink, pale green and silver ivy leaves, stamped out of thin leather. The same leaves border the neckline of the frock and that of the coatee which goes over it. One could imagine stars or small crescent moons being used with equal success.

"Plus-Fours" for Sports Wear

The zip-fastener has entered the field of beach wear, and seems due for a fairly obvious popularity. Over one's swim suit goes a plainly tailored shirtwaist frock of linen zip-fastened from neck to hem. On the beach, one sharp tug, the frock is off, and hey for the high dive!

Another and less formal beach fashion is the reappearance of "plus-four" trousers. A year or two ago there was an attempt on the part of some designers to introduce these for winter sports wear, but without much success. Now women are wearing them on smart beaches. The trousers are of plain brown or blue or white linen, and with them go checked linen blouses with short sleeves. Bare legs and sandals complete the picture.

A Model Kitchen

A vision of her ideal kitchen exists in every house-loving woman's heart. She may spend her days toiling over a black-leaded, old-fashioned range, she may be making-do with a couple of gas rings and a curtained off corner of a divan-bed-sitting-room. But some day she hopes to have the kitchen of her dreams. White enamel paint—green checked gingham window curtains, chromium taps, probably come into it, but she may be vague about the actual details.

Here, then are these details, for this week I have seen the dream kitchen, translated into actual fact. All the equipment is arranged in the exact order that the housewife uses it. Beginning at the door, the order of arrangement goes (from left to right): refrigerator, cabinet of cooking utensils, cooker, cooking table, dish-washing and drying cabinet, (this is a model kitchen, remember) sink and smaller one at side for vegetables, heating cabinet for towels, cabinets for cutlery, silver, china and dry goods, and finally a cupboard for cleaning materials.

Modernizing By Degrees

The window in this planned kitchen was just over the sink. There was a central light and additional lights for use when required at stove, sink or cooking table. If this seems too costly a dream to have come true, it must be remembered that most women could achieve it gradually; changing old-fashioned equipment for modern, piece by piece, as they can afford it.

THE CHINESE INFLUENCE

Borrowed from a Chinese coolie is this hat, which Miss Kay Frances wears in a coming Warner Brothers picture. Notice the casual smartness of the white print frock.

WEAR YOUR HAIR TO SUIT YOUR HATS

Coiffures Are More Studied

"Not for many years," said a stylist responsible for many of the best-dressed heads in London, "have women been so coiffure-conscious. Not content with one becoming style, quite a number of smart women like to change their hair to suit their dress and the occasion, having one style for day and another, more glamorous, for the evening."

A REGAL TREND

One of the most interesting coiffures at this year's hairdressers' show in New York. Very youthful, it features high riding curls and a centre part which goes all the way down to the nape of the neck.

Only a short time ago, hair styles showed an astonishing lack of originality.

Looking round at a theatre or restaurant, you saw an array of heads, all depressingly alike. Some were parted on the left and waved loosely over to the right. Others were parted on the right and waved loosely over to the left.

That was the sum total of the hairdresser's ingenuity.

Now they seem to have gone to the other extreme, blossoming into styles of such infinite variety that it is a little bewildering to know which to choose.

Well-known hairdressing salons in England and America have been making quite a business during the season of sending girls to clients' own homes to arrange their hair before they go out to dinner.

Curls are still popular, and can be dressed in a variety of ways to suit the personality and the type of face.

A lovely style, suitable for those who are fortunate enough to possess a good forehead, is the one on this page. This has the virtue of originality, but its off-the-forehead line can be becoming only to clean-cut features.

Must Be Becoming

Of course, you will not have your hair dressed in such and such a way, just because you think it looks smart. Or try to copy a certain style because it looks nice on someone else. What you must do is to find a good coiffure for your own particular type, taking age, shape of face and personality all into consideration.

This question of features is something of enormous importance. The sculptured style, for instance, is nearly always attractive for the oval face, with features that are clear-cut. Small ears are essential, otherwise it is not advisable.

Juliet Curls

Plastic curls standing up all the way round, coronet fashion, are flattering for the little skull caps which are being worn just now both for the daytime and the evening. For this dressing, the hair should be kept flat and smooth on top with the curls arranged formally all round the front.

Older women, particularly, find this rather set coiffure becoming. Young girls are better suited by something a little softer—something that will take a flower, a butterfly, or a small bejewelled bow.

A popular style of the moment, specially suited to a short face in need of length, is the Semi-Pompadour, arranged by having the hair brushed back into a pompadour in front, with small curls on top of it and at the sides, high above the ears.

Here is an interesting little bit of news about many smart Americans. They, it seems, are still greatly in favour of the coronet plait, and particularly ask for it when they have their hair done.

Those who have that attractive feature, a widow's peak, will be glad to know of a good way in which they can show it to advantage. Several well-known beauties have worn it, and it is really very lovely.

There is a short centre parting, not more than an inch long, and the hair is brushed back and up on each side of it, forming a quiff.

ROMANTIC

Miss Gertrude Michael wears this romantic version of a favourite hair style. Loose ringlets form a careless pompadour in front, and in the back the curls are long and loose again.

Hats Designed on Purpose

Hats, of course, have to be considered in this matter of dressing the hair to advantage, and these apparently are going more up-brimmed than ever.

At a London collection some of the newest ones turned sheer up at the front. Others went up at the back and were scooped at the front, while others, again, were turned up all the way round.

There is, you can see, no help anywhere for a head that is unbecomingly dressed or badly groomed.

Even an apparently careless coiffure is the result of a studied arrangement. Paris hairdressers design hatless coiffures for sportswomen—with every hair in attractive disorder.

Thank goodness, we need not go as far as that. But the fact remains that, while it is all very well to look casual, careless hair-grooming is very definitely "out."

A DANCE for all ranks will be held at the British Forces Recreation Centre, 85 Ferry Road this evening from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Dance Club members are asked to attend. Membership cards must be shown at the door.

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Readers will remember that the "North-China Daily News" ran a similar competition last year, which, judging by the number of entries received, was very popular, and also proved that Shanghai was not lacking in amateur photographers of ability and imagination. This year's competition is different in that the entries have been divided up into groups, which it is thought will make the award of prizes more satisfactory and will also add interest to the competition.

Competitors may send in as many entries as they wish, and for all or any of the eight groups. Each entry, however, must be attached to the entry form, which will be found at the foot of the Competition advertisement which will be published every day in the "North-China Daily News" during the period of the competition.

This is the ideal season of the year for photographers; you are competing with amateurs; and there is no entrance fee. So keep your camera loaded and remember that there are thousands of pictures ready to hand in the streets, in the country, at the seashore, and indoors.

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RULES

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3. Photographs may be of any size not smaller than 8 square inches and must be unmounted. They may be developed, printed and enlarged by a professional photographer, but must not be touched up, double printed, or otherwise manipulated.
4. Any number may be sent in in any one fortnight or every fortnight. The entry form at the foot of the advertisement must be filled in and *must accompany each photograph submitted.* Name or *nom de plume* must be written in pencil on the back of the photograph.
5. The "North-China Daily News" has the right of printing any or every photograph sent in for competition, whether a prize winner or not. No photographs will be returned.
6. The decision of the "North-China Daily News" must be accepted as final. No member of its staff is allowed to compete.
7. Entries must be addressed **Photograph Competition, North-China Daily News, 17 The Bund.**

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Every photograph sent in must have a separate entry form attached to it.

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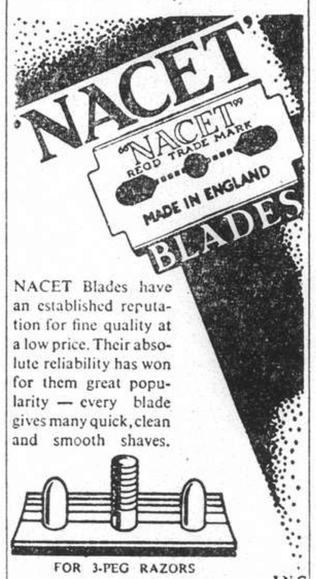

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DEATH

HOWIE.—On Saturday, July 17, 1937, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, MORTON HOOKER HOWIE, aged 38 years. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, July 22, at the Hungjao Road Cemetery at 5 p.m.

IMPARTIAL NOT NEUTRAL

IN THE BALANCE

Peace hangs in the balance of Sino-Japanese relations. The issue rests mainly with Japan. The Chinese Government, in replying to the Japanese note, casts no die, crosses no Rubicon. It leaves to Tokyo a clear way for reconciling moderation with national honour. At such a moment it is repugnant to utter any word which might tend to obstruct counsels of peace. Frankness is essential to expressions of opinion such as may reasonably be conceived to assist in strengthening the influence of men of goodwill on either side. No-one can be indifferent to the implications of the situation as now developed, for no-one can certainly foretell what extension of conflict might eventually arise if peace be not maintained. At the extreme west of the Eurasian continent an international conflagration has been raging for over a year; its limitation is still in doubt. If at the extreme east of the same vast geographical block a similar conflagration breaks out, the anxieties of the whole world are thereby greatly enhanced. Japan has to consider seriously the consequences of pressing her declared will on China. Taking her pronouncements at their face value, she seeks to create a state of mind by threat of physical action. She calls upon China to profess an unequivocal friendliness of thought, deed and word toward a people whose representatives by the sanction of armed force claim to be a law unto themselves on Chinese soil. She insists that this friendship shall prove its sincerity by association with a declared if nebulous hostility toward a political doctrine, no less nebulously defined. She demands economic co-operation at the point of the bayonet. After having absorbed a sixth of Chinese territory, she now asserts an intention to segregate from all practical union with the remainder of China an area which, by its resources, traditions and culture is intimately bound up with Chinese destiny from time immemorial. Has ever aggression been commended on such purely metaphysical grounds? The hard realities of armed force are linked in a preposterously unpractical ambition to dragoon the impalpable spirituality of a vigorous people.

Let it be granted that the armed force must have its material success. Will it be any nearer grasping the moral prize at which it aims? The bodies of the Chinese people may be temporarily conquered. Their souls will still elude question. If it be contended that the proposed coercion of Chinese power be primarily designed to make fast the bulwarks of Japan's defence against another nation, strategists may applaud but statesmanship stands aghast. Statesmanship, indeed, may well ask whether the danger thus averted is comparable with the new perils which may soon prescribe further strategic devices for the maintenance of the newly acquired defences. That surely is the question to which the Japanese nation should be invited to give its attention. Unfortunately—ay, tragically,—the technique of a militarist philosophy has deprived that nation of the power to exercise an unfettered judgment. The process is familiar—so familiar that, for outside opinion, it has not the influence which it was able, even then unjustifiably, to command six years ago. No foreign government or nation that is not tied to a rigidly artificial code of thought fails to perceive the nakedness of the aggression under the specious trappings of a falsely stimulated indignation.

Does Japan want to ensure for her soldiers garrisoning a foreign land the friendly tolerance of its people? Can she, in so doing, deny to that people at least the elements of that patriotic individualism which she so proudly claims on her own behalf? Is it not, therefore, proper to suggest that her military occasions should be governed by regard for those feelings? Is it tolerable that Japanese might should permit itself a licence which could be justified only if it were operating in enemy country. How is it that successive efforts to set up in the North Chinese organs amenable to Japanese direction have invariably broken down in the last resort because of the impossible strain imposed on the men made responsible for reconciling their countrymen to Japanese susceptibilities? Asked to consider the circumstances which involved the Japanese manoeuvres near Marco Polo Bridge in a conflict with Chinese troops, can any impartial observer fail to recognize where provocation really lay? The first shot matters little. It is as immaterial and irrelevant as the protestations which have invoked the Boxer Protocols or those shadowy agreements, designed like the Protocols to deal with specific and strictly limited situations. If Japan's decision is for war, let there be no doubt in her mind what world opinion will say. It may be—let the Fates forbid—that the decision, by some grievous trick of human perversity, will ultimately involve far more than Sino-Japanese issues and, so, the original motive may be obscured in a catastrophic upheaval. At this moment, therefore, it is all the more necessary to place on record the true responsibility. It may have, albeit at this eleventh hour, the merit of giving pause for reflection—reflection in which for her own honour, her own national security Japan may do well to indulge.

A RENT CASE

An illuminating example of the difficulties of landlords under the present system of court procedure is furnished by a decision just made in the Supreme Court of China. The tenant was sued in the original court at the end of April 1936 for six months's rent unpaid. The Court ordered a rent reduction of 15 per cent Against this the landlord appealed. The appeal was heard and judgment was given against the landlord on Sept. 1. Within six weeks the landlord appealed to the Supreme Court whose decision dismissing the appeal was recorded on June 22 1937—that is in over eight months time—and communicated to the plaintiff-appellant a fortnight later. Meanwhile the tenant occupied the premises, his arrears of rent having of course increased from the original six months to more than eighteen months. The Supreme Court has confirmed the order for rent reduction. In view of the accumulated arrears, even if this deduction be taken into account, it may be difficult for the landlord to secure his dues without recourse to further court proceedings. Actually the tenant has lived at the landlord's expense for twenty months and it is significant that the judgment of the Supreme Court rules that the possibility that the recalcitrant tenant has been profiting further by subletting the house is irrelevant. It is a curiously unsatisfactory position from the landlord's point of view.

COMFORTING MR. COOK

Tied to the desk by the hot weather and the preoccupations which it imposes by reason of holiday and other dislocating influences, from the "Far Eastern Traveller's Gazette" the weary Shanghailander can obtain some comfort and hope of respite. If this year he cannot make "romantic contact" with Hungary, as an alluring article suggests that he should, he can at least revel in the possibility. Perhaps he may graciously permit Mr. Cook to show him through the magnificent Gorges of the Yangtze, but even there if the ban of duty adversely operates he can derive pleasure from making the journey in imagination stimulated by the careful exposition in the "Gazette". To air travel a good deal of attention is naturally given nowadays when China is developing that form of transport so systematically thanks to the wonderful skill of American and German pilots and to the co-operation established through Hongkong with world airways. For those who can cut the painter and desert Shanghai the immediate possibility is the Theatrical Festival to be held from Sept. 1 to Sept. 20 successively in Moscow, Leningrad and the Ukraine. It affords, so Mr. Cook observes, an opportunity for studying the new Soviet Theatrical culture.

AIR MAIL DELAYS

Complaints about air mail delays are now concentrating on the service from Shanghai to New York. Once again it is necessary to remind the public that aerial transport, if not any longer in its infancy, is perhaps in its teens and the waywardness of youth has to be taken into account by a discerning critic. There are also the factors of weather and danger and the steeplejack still balances himself on one foot on the top of his stack and salutes the passing aeroplane with the comment that "somehow it don't seem quite safe." Postal authorities addressed on this point are naturally aggrieved when the assumption is at once made that they, like the proverbial cat, are to blame. One of them succinctly observes:

> We cannot help it and have no control over the Air Line. We act as collectors and distributors, i.e., we collect here and hand it over in due form to the Aviation Company, just as we hand the ordinary mails to a ship. If the ship hits a rock or is delayed by a storm, we, Post Office, cannot possibly be held responsible. The same applies with air mails. As soon as we collect the mails here they are promptly despatched as superscribed and according to postage paid. Likewise we deliver the air mails as soon as we receive them from the Aviation Companies, but we cannot assume responsibility for delays en route. This seems to be overlooked by the Public. They think the Post Office has very large shoulders.

There is sympathy for the public but it has to remember that the air-mail involves risk. The various aviation companies do their best, but if some understanding of their problems were generated, patience might be more readily forthcoming. After all their achievements have been and are notable and they should be given time to organize. Even the finest engine requires running experience before it can do full justice to itself. It might be no bad thing to count blessings, as the parsons say. For example the last Air France mail despatched from Marseilles on July 8 was received and delivered in Shanghai on July 16.

MATRIMONY AND TENNIS

Miss Dorothy Round was fired this year to recover her lost championship at Wimbledon because she had decided on the abandonment of her spinsterhood—an imminent event—to discontinue competitive tennis. That decision is reinforced by her inability to travel to America for the Wightman Cup matches, owing to the approaching wedding. Now, Senorita Anita Lizana, who fell before the fierce forehand drives of Mlle Jedrzejowska at Wimbledon, has clearly kept her own matrimonial plans in view by successfully and emphatically defending her title as Champion of Scotland. For, the Chilean girl, who is perhaps one of the most popular players on the courts to-day and whose autographs, among English schoolgirls, still command the highest esteem in spite of strong rivalry from Miss Alice Marble, is also engaged to be married. After that event she becomes a Scotswoman and it may be said that she has fully qualified for the position by winning the Scottish championship three years running. It would be, however, be ungallant to suggest that the fortunate bridegroom-to-be is actuated by patriotism in making sure that Scotland keeps both the champion and her cups, for as the photographs have frequently revealed he has other less unselfish reasons for his choice. Nevertheless he is entitled to the gratitude of his countrymen on a neat and canny piece of talent-snatching.

CARELESS PEDESTRIANS

Considerable force is in the contention of certain correspondents that the pedestrian's culpability for accidents in the streets requires remedial treatment. The obligation on the pedestrian to exercise reasonable care in crossing the streets is well recognized. It cannot be pressed too far, especially when the streets are full of all sorts and conditions of humanity, so motorists cannot escape the responsibility especially attaching to their possession of intelligence above the average of that on flat feet. It may be added however that, contrary to the impression obtained by some critics, the police are actively stimulating the education of the public in the negotiation of streets, and particularly street crossings. Advertisements pictorially describing "awful warnings" and explaining the difference between the right and the wrong way of crossing the road appear in many public places, including the buses, both in English and Chinese, often exclusively in the latter. The police also do much by personal exhortation. It is no unusual thing at the corner of Yu Ya-ching Road, for example, to perceive a fatherly Sikh policeman holding an impromptu class of bewildered countrywomen for teaching them on the spot the proper way to cross Nanking Road without throwing themselves under the wheels of juggernaut. Perhaps the publicity side of this educational process could be extended, but the notion that nothing is being done is very wide of the mark.

GOOD CRICKET

The Shanghai Cricket Club and the Shanghai Recreation Club may have their ups and downs when they meet other teams in the cricket field. It is safe usually to bet that when they two try conclusions the resultant match will be productive of that extra-special keenness popularly attached to such contests as the Hospital Cup rugger final, the Varsity match or the Calcutta Cup match whether at Twickenham or Murrayfield. The week-end game for the annual Wood Trophy proved no exception to the rule. Both teams gave of their best. The Recreation Club, in spite of their own modest 196, seemed to be getting the measure of the Cricket Club's earlier batsmen until D. W. Leach, who had already bowled with effect, decided to play a captain's innings and, with the help of H. E. Orr and G. S. Dunkley recovered ground lost owing to lack of support given to A. T. Bridge. In their second innings the Recreation Club would have fared badly but for the magnificent display of A. A. White who found a useful coadjutor in S. F. Shroff. As it was the Cricket Club had to make only 102 runs to win but the clock put on the task the severe limitation of 50 minutes. That did not deter them from making the effort. By taking every kind of risk they actually made 87 in the time allowed; the vigilance of their opponents is shown by the fact that five good wickets fell in the effort, the score book's entry against Leach's name in that second innings—"st. Lawrence b. Wilson"—being eloquent of the spirit of the adventure. The draw reflected credit on both sides and, in fact, represented that favourite paradox of cricket, a satisfactory result which gave neither the victory. No doubt both could look back on missed opportunities which, had they been taken, might have changed the complexion of the game, but, again, cricket is like that.

THE WEATHER

The temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, for 24 hours ending 7 p.m.

Yesterday	Min. 79.5 Max. 93.0
Same date, 1936	Min. 79.0 Max. 88.0

Rainfall nil.

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Yesterday	Min. 77.7 Max. 94.5
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State on the morning of the 18th:—High and steady pressure over Japan, and Korea: normal and steady over China; low to the north of Palau and to the east of Hainan. South-easterly monsoon along the China Coast. Cloudy, fine and hot weather in China.

State on the morning of the 19th:—Cloudy, fine and hot weather. South-easterly winds. High and steady pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Cloudy weather with thundery showers or fog and north-easterly to south-easterly winds around Shantung. Cloudy, hot and fine with evening thunder in places and south-easterly to south-westerly winds in the Yangtze Valley; Easterly to southerly over the Eastern Sea: North-easterly to north-westerly around Formosa. The typhoon over the Pacific will continue west-north-westward. Typhoon signal: Approximate position of the centre at 6 a.m., within 120 miles, latitude 12, longitude 135, direction west-north-west, intensity: unknown.—Siccawei Observatory.

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In Parenthesis

Hopeful

PROUD Father: "The man who marries my daughter will get a prize."

Suitor: "May I see it, please?"

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For a Reason

WIFE: "Paul, this suit is very shabby. May I give it away?"

Husband: "Heavens, no! That is the suit I go in to protest against my tax assessment."

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The Reason

"IF there's anything I hate to see it's a person light three cigarettes with the same match."

"Not superstitious, are you?"

"No, but I manufacture matches."

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The Expert

LECTURER (in the village hall): "Now you all know what a molecule is——"

Chairman (interrupting): "Most of us do, but perhaps you'd better explain for the benefit of those who have never been up in one."

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I Should Say So!

AUCTIONEER: "What am I offered for this statue of Jefferson?"

Voice from crowd: "That isn't Jefferson; that's Bach."

Auctioneer; "Thanks, brother. Guess I'd better dust off my Bible!"

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Not Much Good

MR. and Mrs. had just returned from church service.

Mrs.: "Did you notice the new hat Mrs. Brown had on to-day?"

Mr.: "No—er—I'm afraid I was dozing a little."

Mrs.: "Huh; a lot of good the service did you!"

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Not Likely

TOMMY was lunching with his great-aunt. When he had finished a plate of soup, the old lady inquired whether he would like another helping.

"No," replied Tommy.

"No what?" said his aunt.

"No fear!" was the rejoinder.

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Conscientious Objection

"WELL, Pat," remarked the foreman, "I'm sorry to see you leave the works. Aren't the wages satisfactory?"

"The wages are all right," returned Pat, "but I keep having a guilty feeling all the time."

"About what?"

"I'm all the time thinkin' I'm doin' a horse out of a job."

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Exploration

Two farmers decided on a trip to the big city. After a round of sight-seeing, they entered an hotel.

"We'd like to stay here for the night," said the elder.

"Certainly," said the clerk, "Would you like a room with a bath?"

The elder farmer hestitated.

"Go on, Oliver," urged his friend, "be a sport. We only live once!"

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Dumb Preference

THE cinema was crowded. One young lady, missed by the usher, drifted derelict looking for a place. Eagerly she peered through the half darkness. Then she sighed with relief as she found a seat and sat down.

She bent over towards the man sitting on the other side, and whispered, "This isn't reserved where I'm sitting, is it?"

"Yes, I think it must be," was the reply; "he hasn't said a word."

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Something New

To Horace Greeley, the famous editor, a woman once wrote: "Our church is in dire financial straits. We have tried every device to keep it going — fairs, strawberry festivals, oyster suppers, a donkey party, turkey banquets, Japanese weddings, mock marriages, and box sociables. Will you please tell us, Mr. Greeley, what we can do to keep our struggling church from disbanding?"

The editor replied: "Try religion."

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Halt in Transit

THE old-fashioned doctor had examined the poor man's eyes, and took his wife on one side and said, "I fear expensive optical treatment is beyond your means, but let him wash his eyes around every morning with a little brandy and I will call and see him again."

The doctor returned in a week and asked how the good man was getting on.

"Alas, doctor," said the wife, "he has tried his best to bathe his eyes, but he can never get the cup past his mouth."

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More Nails

CARELESSNESS is a bad trait, but as you're only careless with your own affairs, it's really nobody else's business. The trouble is, when that trait gets hold of you, you're liable to be careless in your dealings with other people.

I had a careless cousin down home who got a job with a contractor who was puttin' up a big building. The contractor was very strict and everybody, said my cousin, wouldn't last three days with him. Sure enough, on the second day he was workin' on a high scaffold and he got careless and slipped and fell seven floors.

When he crashed to the ground, all the other workmen gathered round to see if he was dead or not and my cousin looked up and said, "If the boss gets sore, tell him I had to come down here for nails, anyhow!"

—By Bob Burns.

Sixty Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS," OF JULY 20, 1877.

We hear a project is on foot for the formation of a company to promote the establishment of that oft-desired convenience, a sanitarium, at an easy distance from Shanghai. The locality indicated is the Point, and the proposed initial capital is the modest figure of Tls. 4,000. Measures have been taken to bring the proposal before the community and it is believed with every prospect of success. If there is a healthful breeze to be found at almost any time in this neighbourhood, it is at the Point; and the beneficial effects to convalescents there has already been experienced, we are informed, both in the case of adults and children.

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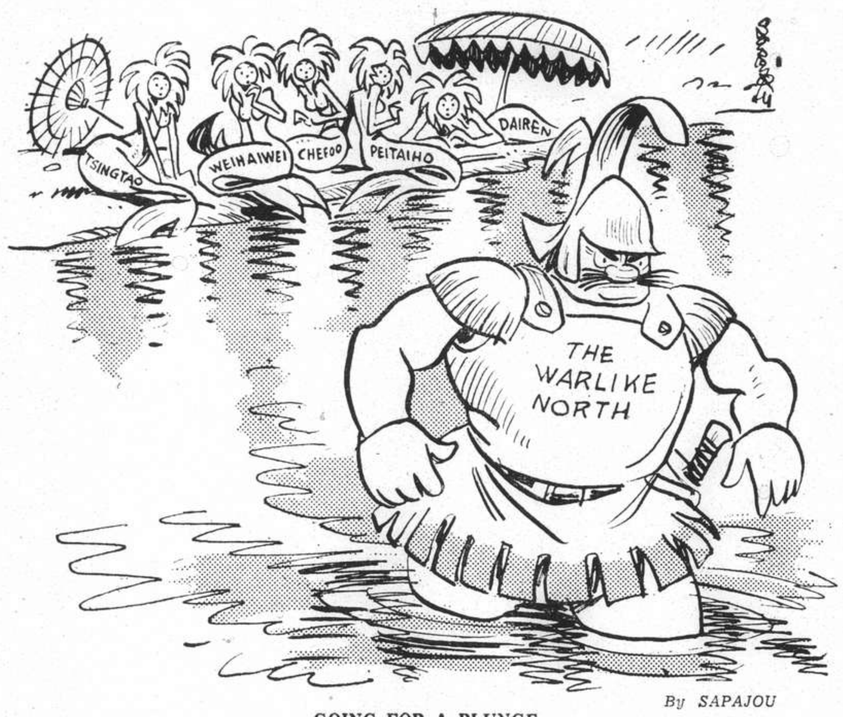
The "Straits Times" states, with regret, that nothing whatever has been discovered by the police of Singapore with regard to the origin of the 1,200 forged American trade dollars which two Chinese women attempted a short time ago to pass at one of the banks at that port. The women are still in custody, but appear to maintain perfect silence as to how they became possessed of the counterfeit coins.



By SAPAJOU

GOING FOR A PLUNGE

MORE WHEELS IN TACHIENLU

Border City Boasts of Twelve Rickshaws and One Bicycle: Increased Living Costs

BY TIBETAN

Tachienlu, June 21.

Innovations come very slowly towards the Tibetan frontier. The rickshaws introduced to Tachienlu some weeks ago now number twelve and apparently the business is quite flourishing. So far, however, we have only seen one rickshaw on the streets as the running is evidently confined to carrying guests to the hot sulphur springs out at the Second Bridge. The charge is 25 cents there and 25 cents back and a rickshaw puller will make several trips each day. So far we have not seen a woolly nomad enjoying this new experience on "wheels" nor have we seen a lama appreciating the bumping rickshaws. The road out to the spring is being fixed up and in time the company should be taking in the silver.

Some days ago an adventurous spirit carried a bicycle into Tachienlu. He bought it in Chengtu and says he paid $37 for it; the local Custom's charge being nearly $6. Parts of it had to be assembled here in Tachienlu and apparently something went wrong with the handlebars. Whether they were put on upside down or backside foremost no one seems to know but Tachienlu's first bicycle soon came to grief and where it is at present we have been unable to discover. The city is full of old curio shops and no doubt some day we shall see the derelict hanging up for sale outside one of those houses.

With wild frisky yak walking about the streets of this border town it was really too dangerous trying to ride a bicycle; and a nomad when he sees anything approaching him which he does not quite understand is inclined to perform somewhat like a chicken. With yak and nomads wandering about the narrow streets it may be that the authorities wisely tabooed this new adventure in civilization.

Some one told us that the handlebars moved without giving the bicycle any sense of direction and if that were so we can quite understand its absence from the public thoroughfares. Both the yak and the nomad have this pecularity and when a bicycle is included the trio would make life very precarious along the Tibetan frontier.

Frontier Wedding

Yesterday, Tachienlu had its first real society wedding. Mr. Chow Chen-tong, a young official in the Central Authority, and Miss Chang Chi-chen, a young lady teacher in the local Central Government school, stood before Mr. Cheng Tong-fu. Special Commissioner on the Border, and promised to be good, kind and considerate to each other. No wedding in Tachienlu has probably attracted more attention. Mr. Chow is an old friend of Capt. Brace and was connected with the Y.M.C.A. in Chengtu. He is quite a popular figure in the city and has travelled considerably throughout the Republic.

Miss Chang's father teaches geography in a number of the schools and is also a member of local public bodies. Both Messrs. Cheng Tong-fu, and Chang Hong-kuei, the bride's father, are men of the old Confucian school and still adhere to the old Chinese classics.

Mr. Chow was determined to invite the Europeans here and apparently his idea of a society wedding was that two organs should be used in the ceremony, one on one side of the courtyard and another on the other, and both to be played by foreign ladies. In any public function, if there is a chopstick or two short, it is a simply matter to go out into a bamboo grove and secure the necessary material, but this is not so easy where organs are concerned. There they were, however, organs to spare, and some of them had stops!

The Europeans in the city had no idea Tachienlu was such a musical town. But Mr. Chow and his numerous friends had taken every precaution and everything that a society wedding should have was there in all its glory. And civil, military and scholastic dignitaries graced the function with their presence. Gen. Tang, head of the military, and Mr. Yang, head of the administration, took some part in the occasion.

Unique Setting

The ceremony took place in what is known as the Chuja caravansery, where Mandeville and Roubin built their skin boat, Nightmare, in which they hoped to sail from Tachienlu to Shanghai. These caravanseries, of which there are 48 in the city, are used by the Tibetans when they come from Lhasa, Chamdo, Derge, Litang and Kanze. Usually the rooms, upstairs and down, are arranged round the four sides of the courtyard, and in the old days the yak and horses occupied the downstairs and the centre of the courtyard. With the present hygiene movement the animals are not permitted inside the city. These Tibetan caravanseries, however, can be a desolation of abomination as the dwellers upstairs find the courtyard below a convenient place to throw anything they don't want. When Mandeville lived in the Chuja someone upstairs threw water on his black bear below.

The Chuja, however, is recognized with the Wasija as being one of the clean caravanseries in Tachienlu.

Nomad Visitors to Frontier Metropolis

Tachienlu Wedding

But it had really to be cleaned up before this Chinese society wedding took place and the decorations were put up. Mr. Chow and his young bride now occupy rooms in this large Tibetan inn while the wedding festivities continue all round them.

Racing on the Border

To-day and to-morrow is the Tibetan race meet and hundreds and thousands of the local inhabitants, Tibetan and Chinese, are flocking to the race course on the mountain above Tachienlu. When there is no Communist menace this is always a popular event along the frontier. The Tibetans love pony racing and the lamas in many parts of Lamaland own and race their own ponies. In this city the Chinese are now taking an active part in this yearly meet and show considerable horsemanship when riding in the races.

Fortunately the weather favoured the opening day so the ladies, Tibetan and Chinese, dressed for the occasion. From early morning, the hillside approaching the course, was a mass of colour, red being worn by the Tibetans and blue by the Chinese. There is a similarity about race courses whether they be found in Musselburgh or Tachienlu: locally, when the races are on, the inhabitants give themselves up to their enjoyment. Spain may be in flames and Palestine in convulsion and the Communists may be threatening the peace of the world but the Tibetan race meet suffers no embarrassment. The *status quo* is wisely and carefully maintained.

Increase in Living Costs

Unfortunately this year a number of things militated against the success of the meeting. The people along the immediate frontier still feel the effects of the Communist invasion of last year. While there is considerable wealth in Tachienlu there is also very much poverty, and the price of foodstuffs has risen so alarmingly that many people have lived for months on the verge of starvation. Rice went up to over $90 per picul and while not many people live entirely on rice still the price of other things followed that of rice. Tsamba or ground barley rose to Rs. 26 for 60 catties, and cornmeal which is very largely eaten by the poorer people, rose to about five catties for $1. And beef, pork and fat prices went up accordingly. Costs are slowly coming down but there is still considerable suffering among the Communist refugees. A woman stood at the front door the other day seeking to sell her two small children and similar cases are known all over town.

Hundreds if not thousands of these refugees have flocked into Tachienlu from Danba, Mowkung, Tsonghua, Shuching and Daofu. Hundreds of them find a living day by day carrying wood, and hundreds found work in other directions. Thousands of Communists passed through the land like a gigantic swarm of locusts eating up anything and everything, leaving the country bare of food and animals. The Central Authorities have tried to help but what the poor people want is not money but food: and there is no food in many parts of the interior.

Organized Charity

Fortunately the Chinese Good Deeds Society here in Tachienlu is buying up immense stocks of cornmeal and selling it at a greatly reduced price, enabling the poor Communist refugees to get at least one catty of cornmeal per day. There is a continual mob round the door of the Good Deeds Society and I gather very few are turned away without something to eat.

Tachienlu occupies a peculiar geographical position. Stretching towards the east lies China and away to the west Tibet. China produces rice and Tibet provides tsamba, but between the two countries rise enormous ranges of high snow-covered mountains that produce very little apart from cold and ice. On the lower slopes, however, of the mountain ranges a considerable amount of corn is grown but not sufficient to meet the local demand. Rice is, therefore, carried in from China and tsamba from Tibet. Szechuen has suffered somewhat from famine and Sikang has been ravished by Communists. Block the roads east and west leading into Tachienlu and one week would be sufficient to see the inhabitants on the verge of starvation. Food therefore must be carried in and carried in sufficient quantity to keep the city in existence and on the map.

Fine Potato Crop

A kind Providence, however, is not forgetful of His own creation and so Tachienlu is now enjoying a fine crop of potatoes. These were introduced by the French missionaries many years ago and have proved a boon to those who live near the starvation line. The price is 1,000 cash per catty and $1 will buy 27 catties. Potatoes and cornmeal and a little yak beef make an excellent stew and this is very largely on what the poorer inhabitants live. Eggs, rice, fruit and oil are all carried to the city from points four and five days away, and even pork is carried for days towards Tachienlu. So when transport and other things are taken into consideration these foodstuffs are quite beyond the common people. There are now signs of abundance of rain, not only in the immediate district, but on the plains below so the people, amid all their suffering, are looking forward quite hopefully.

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GATHERING SHENSI HARVESTS

Community Affair and All Lend a Hand: Road Construction Proceeding

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Paoki, Shen., July 14.

Housekeeping during the harvesting period is fraught with disastrous results to the uninitiated. The cook's punctilious attention and spotless kitchen, together with a guileless smile form a fitting introduction to the subject; the alacrity of the table-boy plus the absence of broken crockery for several days running has aroused our suspicions until, with awkward stance and sickly grin he presses his case; the washerwoman just fails to turn up at all and, woe betide the careless housewife who has not in stock a good supply of fuel for the kitchen.

Harvesting is a community affair in Shensi. All have their fields, both large or small, and it is the bounden duty of all to lend a hand when the grain is to be gathered in; they must be just as ready to help as they have been, during the past year skilfully to ply their chopsticks to a rapidly diminishing supply of food. In effect, the plea of "harvest" becomes the Chinese "grandmother's funeral" which none are able to resist or gainsay. There are loud lamentations, and disorganized households while they come joyfully bringing in the sheaves.

Anxious Time for Farmers

It is always an anxious time for the farmer. The ripening corn may have survived the lack of snow during the winter; it may have grown despite the scarcity of rain in the spring and finally developed to maturity in the face of many other obstacles but several days before the reapers begin a sudden, violent windstorm may lay the harvest flat for miles round.

It only needs a steady downpour to complete the damage and wreck the hopes of all. The people never consider the harvest safe until it is actually stored away in the grain sacks that are kept for this purpose. Even after the standing corn has been cut excessive rainfall could ruin a large percentage of the yield before winnowing operations were commenced. As it stands, just before the reaping, it is considered the potential wealth of the people, though in the face of the forces of nature they themselves are impotent. The best ground is situated high up on the plateau to the north where numerous small villages are connected with a network of cartroads; where the wells are sunk to a depth of 400 feet to the level of the river bed before they yield water; these rivers have cut for themselves deep fissures thus intersecting the plateau into separate portions and, in a measure isolating the communities settled upon them.

Simultaneous Operations

The reapers gather from all quarters but actual operations commence simultaneously, the grain being cut, not plucked, with a deft sweep of the hand holding the short wooden-handled straight, metal-bladed cutting instruments that are made locally by the thousands in anticipation for this event. The cut stalks are laid carefully aside as the men, working in companies travel in regular formation up and down the fields stooping, cutting, gathering and placing in readiness for those who follow, binding and stacking the sheaves of grain.

The lumbering ox carts next appear upon the scene to transport the sheaves to the courtyard or threshing floor. It is hard work, this reaping in the burning sunshine just when the days are longest and the sun is hardest to bear. The sweating, brown bodies gleam and writhe in the sunlight as they toil from daylight till dark. Gleaners there are in abundance; toothless old grannies, sober matrons and the younger members of the family with a liberal sprinkling of diminutive, semi-nude, brown imps sporting about while the unfortunate hares and rabbits, suddenly deprived of their food and shelter, are at the mercy of the dogs that gather in anticipation of the sport and an occasional kill.

Threshing Floor Ready

The threshing floor has been prepared for some considerable time, it is usually situated on the outskirts of the village in some sheltered yet accessable position. The sheaves usually are carefully stacked and covered against the event of rain while they wait their turn for many people have access to the floor and operations must be carried out as rapidly as possible.

The grain has to be rolled out; the stalks are scattered out, the stone rollers are fitted to their wooden frames and hitched to the waiting animals and then they have to plod patiently hour after hour at their task, going in never ending circles until the stalks and the grain are entirely separate. The former is stacked and the latter, including the chaff, is carefully swept into a large pile in a suitable position.

It is interesting to note the conglomeration of farm animals assembled on any given floor. Oxen, horses of all shapes and sizes, the diminutive donkey and sometimes a mule will follow each other round and round. They are all engaged in the one task. Toward evening, as the weary animals retire to food and rest the most important actors appear on the scene. It is usually getting late for they depend upon the evening breeze to assist them in their tasks.

The winnowers take their stand in a suitable position and proceed, with the aid of a wooden shovel, to toss the stuff into the air well above their heads. Gradually the reason becomes apparent as a rapidly growing pile of grain appears as by magic at their feet whilst the chaff and other residue is blown several feet away. The last rays of the setting sun light up the battlements of the city wall as the members of the family appear and gather the grain into sacks, set the chaff, straw and farm implements in order before retiring for the night.

The people are reluctant to exchange their grain for the paper money that now is used as legal tender in the province and therefore it only appears of the market as they have need to purchase goods for themselves. It is very rarely that the exigencies of life force a family to dispose this precious necessity wholesale.

High Water in the River

Within the past two weeks widespread rainfall has continued to saturate the countryside with disastrous results to the motor traffic on both sides of the river. The river bed itself in the neighbourhood of the city, covers an area of approximately three li wide over which sandy waste old man river is at liberty to roll or twist as he pleases.

Usually he discharges the main bulk of water through the main channel with a few playful streams here and there designed for the inconvenience of travellers but this time, by dividing up into two main channels he has played a scurvy trick. They are very deep, separated from each other some considerable distance and each is surrounded by a number of smaller streams. The river is difficult to wade at any time but after such changes it is impossible—the current is wicked.

According to reports, one driver on the south of the river attempted to cross a small stream but became stuck in the middle and his machine was half-submerged.

Realizing the seriousness of the position he immediately applied for assistance. Shouting "Sixty coolies at $1 per head" he thought to solve the problem on the spot. The coolies however were reluctant to take his money, they wanted $120 for the job independent of the number of men used, so the bus stayed in the river till more reliable assistance was forthcoming several days later.

Fording Problems

Buses from the city, after grinding through several smaller streams are faced with the new bed of the river. They have to unload and drive across empty as the water is now waist high in the deepest part with a deep bank to ascend. Coolies were swarming everywhere round the cargo, luggage and postal matter. By the side of the bank a large stack of mail bags covered with an oil-sheet showed that the Postal authorities were doing their best to deal with the problem. The coolies held high carnival along the banks; they are a hardy lot but are capable of staging some nasty scenes when stirred up. With the big crossing and a long trek overland to the ferry they make good money.

The military are still busy on road construction work in the suburbs. They rest and celebrate on Sundays but during the week they are busy carrying material soil, sand and water. The metal and the tools have been provided beforehand by the people within the area. Repair gangs are putting finishing touches on the earlier sections.

WEDDING BELLS IN NINGPO

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Ningpo, July 17.

The marriage of the Rev. E. P. Slater and Miss P. M. Atter was solemnized this afternoon in St. Paul's Church, by courtesy of the Church Missionary Society.

Mr. Slater is a member of the Methodist Mission and has been in Ningpo for several years but his bride only came out from England this week. The service was conducted by the Rev. A. A. Conibear of the Methodist Mission, assisted by the Rev. Y. D. Hsu, who offered a prayer. Other members of the mission assisted—Miss Katherine Coombs was bridesmaid, the Rev. H. Tomlinson was the best man, and Miss D. Coombs officiated at the organ.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the Methodist Compound attended by about 60 guests. Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Redfern acted as host and hostess and suitable toasts were proposed and speeches made.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

FLOUR and rice prices in Tsingtao have been considerably raised, according to a Chinese report. The city remains quiet.

GEN. Ho Chien, Chairman of the Hunan Provincial Government, who has been staying in Kuling, has returned to Changsha.

MEMBERS of the Rice Transportation and Sales Inspection Party to South China returned to Shanghai yesterday after a tour of Kwangtung and Fukien.

ALL the exhibitions held in connection with the celebration of the tenth anniversary of the founding of the Shanghai City Government have been closed. The air defence exhibition was closed a few days earlier.

JAPANESE naval authorities in Shanghai yesterday morning denied a Chinese report that Japanese warships of the Yangtze patrol had been concentrated off Woosung. Japanese Yangtze patrol vessels are at their usual stations, a naval spokesman said.

ACCORDING to the weekly return of the S.M.C. Health Department ended July 17, there were 13 foreign and 238 Chinese deaths in the Settlement last week. Two foreign and 13 Chinese deaths were from tuberculosis and one foreign and 11 Chinese deaths from typhoid fever.

MISS Niedy Prieto, sometimes styled the "Deana Durbin of the Philippines, arrived in Shanghai last week, and, according to potential arrangements soon will grace one of the local entertainment floors. She was selected from 46 contestants who appeared in the State Theatre in Manila in the elimination tournament.

Further rise in the Huangho in Shantung has been caused by heavy rainfalls on Saturday and Sunday. The water mark of the Loho also rose to 30.73 metres on Sunday. With waters of Yufuho and other tributaries in West Shantung converging at the Huangho, great vigilance has been taken by the provincial authorities.

THE June issue of the "Nederland Mail," official organ of the Nederland Line Royal Dutch Mail, Amsterdam, has been received. Published on a fine grade of paper, and with many excellent photographs, it contains articles of interest to all travellers, including "A Polder in the Making," "The glorious coasts of Java," "Cologne," and "Coronation Thoughts" to name but a few.

FOR the purpose of relieving the acute food situation, the municipal authorities in Peiping have ordered local grain dealers to limit grain prices and warned them not to engage in any "cornering" activities. At the same time, it is reported, every facility has been extended to the dealers for the efficient transportation of grain. As a result of these measures, the prices of grain have remained at the normal level.

THE following brass band concert will be given by the Municipal brass band in the Public Garden (weather permitting) this afternoon, starting at 5.30 p.m.:—

March "Florentiner" .....Fucik
Selection "Carmen" .....Bizet
(a) Serenade "Quand tu Chants" Gounod
(b) Dance "Le Pilou Pilou" .Clerice
Selection "No, No, Nanette" .Youmans
Selection "By the Mississippi" .Knowles
Spanish Serenade "La Paloma" Yradier
Selection "The Gondoliers" ....Sullivan

THE attention of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, the Chinese Bankers Association and the supervisors of exchanges in Shanghai is drawn by the Finance Ministry in an order to the report that unscrupulous persons are taking advantage of the present political situation to gain illegal profits by spreading wild rumours about the national currency. Anyone found to have done so will be dealt with most severely according to the law, the Ministry's order states.

MUCH interest has been aroused in the pagoda—a unique building for modern times—which Mr. Aw Boonhaw, the well-known Hongkong multi-millionaire and philanthropist, is planning to have built in the spacious grounds surrounding his palatial residence at Tai Hang, above Causeway Bay, Hongkong. The plans for the structure have been completed by a local Chinese architect, and have been submitted to the Public Works Department. Mr. Aw is seeking permission for a pagoda which will not be less than 130 feet high, with ten storeys.

Preparations have, for some time, been under way for the opening of through railway traffic between Peiping and Kowloon, states a special despatch to the "Ta Kung Pao" from Nanking. Consultations have been going on between the responsible officers of the Canton-Kowloon, Canton-Hankow and Peiping-Hankow Railways on measures for linking up the three lines and on other problems connected with the through service and as soon as the plans are completed, they will be referred to the Ministry of Railways for approval, it is reported.

A SINGAPORE resident is contributing his impressions of Hongkong to the Singapore "Free Press." He says in part: "A recent visitor to the Far East observed that a better type of young Englishman is recruited by the business firms of Hongkong than by the firms of Singapore. However much one may challenge that theory I do think that the average Hongkong businessman has a much wider comprehension of Far Eastern affairs than his opposite number in Singapore. Close contact with China gives the Briton in that colony a really comprehensive Sino-British viewpoint and he uses it to good advantage."

RECENT reports have indicated that the Eurasia Aviation Corporation has ceased its regular traffic on the Peiping-Hongkong and the Peiping-Lanchow lines. These reports, however, do not coincide with the real facts. It is true that some individual flights between Taiyuanfu and Peiping and Suiyan-Peiping could not be carried out owing to the fighting around Peiping. As far as permitted by the situation in and around Peiping, the traffic on these routes is being maintained, the Corporation states. The flighs from Taiyuanfu to Hongkong and from Suiyan to Lanchow are being carried out according to the regular schedule.

EIGHT corpses have been found floating in the Whangpoo River during the past few days, according to a report to the "Sin Wen Pao."

THE total number of visitors to the various Municipal parks during June was 416,085, according to Superintendent of Parks.

THE provincial authorities of Shansi have ordered the compulsory planting of various kinds of wheat in the province, beginning this year, in an effort to improve the food situation.

OF particular interest to Rotarians, will be the moving pictures to be shown on Thursday, at the meeting of the Rotary Club of Shanghai, on Thursday at 12.30 p.m., at the Metropole Hotel.

UNWILLING to spread propaganda for the Japanese the Chinese editorial staff and printers of the Japanese "Hsin Hsing Pao" in Peiping, have walked out in a body, according to a Peiping dispatch to the Central Daily News.

THIRTY persons were drowned on Saturday in the Yellow River in Tungkwan, to the east of Sian, as a result of the capsizing of a ferry boat. The vessel was carrying more than 50 passengers, 40 packages of mails and 30 sacks of rice when the accident occurred. Only 20 passengers were saved.

UNFAVOURABLE weather conditions interfered with sports in the various Municipal Parks last month but the number of participants in the various sports was as follows:—Hongkew Park, 6,388; Wayside Park, 1,306; and Kiaochow Park, 884. 1,198 persons used the running track and athletic field during the month, reports the Parks Superintendent.

Two mine-laying submarines, H.M.S. Grampus and Rorqual, are to leave England shortly for the China Station. On their arrival at Hongkong, the Fourth Submarine Flotilla in the Far East will consist of 17 of the most modern types of vessels, all of 1,475 tons, each armed with eight torpedo tubes and engined to 4,400 s.h.p.

MR. T. V. Soong, a member of the Standing Committee of the National Economic Council and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bank of China, left here for Hankow on Sunday morning by 'plane to attend a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chichi Water and Electricity Works. Mr. Soong was also reported to be proceeding to Kuling to see General Chiang Kai-shek.

FOLLOWING a two months' stay in the mother country, the two overseas Chinese aviators Messrs. Kho Chi-hsin and Chen Yi-ngan left here on Sunday in their own midget 'plane for Batavia via Foochow and Hongkong. Before their take-off from the Lunghwa aerodrome, where a score of friends gathered to bid them happy landing, Mr. Kho indicated that he may return to China in three months.

ACCORDING to the Superintendent of Parks and Open Spaces in his report for June, at the Public Garden, a shelter and temporary bandstand has been erected and the Ever-victorious Army Memorial has been transferred to a new site fronting the River. Kwanghsin Road Children's playing centre was opened to visitors on June 15. Six additional swings were erected at Nanyang Children's Garden and six at Quinsan Square.

A sentence of seven years' imprisonment was passed by the First District Court yesterday on Dzang Zien-fah, a butcher, who, on the afternoon of July 4, together with several others, stabbed to death a loafer named Zau Kyung-sai in Stone Bridge Road. Police inquiries disclosed that deceased had obtained $2 from a newly opened shop in the road as "protection money" and this angered his rival who gathered his men, including the sentenced man, and had a fight with deceased.

TAKING into consideration the fact that the girl was better off with her mistress than with her parents, Mr. E. Himsworh imposed a light fine of $30 on Kwan Yei-yim, 25-year-old married woman, when she was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy with employing an unregistered "mui-tsai." Mr. H. W. Fraser, Inspector of Mui-Tsai, said the girl, Lai Lai-kuen, aged 17, was interrogated by a lady inspector from the Secretariat of Chinese Affairs and it was discovered that she was not registered. She was very well treated by the defendant, who gave her ample food and clothes, and she declared she would prefer to stay on with her rather than go back to her parents, who were poor.

THERE was a police court sequel in Hongkong to the recent incident in which two Chinese students of the Far East Flying Training School took two planes belonging to the Company out of the Colony. One of the students, Tcheng Yun, appeared before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett, at the Kowloon Magistracy, charged with (1) on June 7 being the pilot of a British aircraft, registered in the Colony and engaged in international navigation, failed to carry a certificate of airworthiness, contrary to Article 16 (i) (b) of the Air Navigation Order of 1927, (2) failing to carry a log book, and (3) failing to carry a certificate of registration. Defendant's plea was not taken, but he said he did not intend flying away from Hongkong. The case was adjourned.

A man brought before Judge Yih in the First Special District Court yesterday on a charge of larceny refused to disclose his name, or age, or his birth place. Questioned by the Judge several times, the man simply answered that he did not know or could not remember what was his name or age or his birth place. On the police charge sheet, these details did not appear either because, when brought to the Yulin Road Police Station after being arrested, the man refused to talk. Mr. Paul Tsiang, Assistant Municipal Advocate, prosecuting, told the Judge that the man had been arrested for committing a larceny at 10 Yue Hoo Faung, Yenshan Road, on the morning of July 17, and that the prisoner's finger prints disclosed that he had three previous convictions. The Judge sentenced the man to ten months' imprisonment, but still did not know what was his name or where he had come from.

A DARTMOOR PRISON ESCAPADE

Sir Samuel Hoare Replies to Mr. D. N. Pritt

NO FOUNDATIONS FOR HIS SUGGESTION

Sir Samuel Hoare, the Home Secretary, has circulated written replies to two questions by Mr. D. N. Pritt, K.C., who asked.

(1) whether the system called "knock," whereby prisoners under punishment are awakened by a warder knocking on their cell door at short intervals throughout the night, is or has recently been, in operation at Dartmoor; whether it has official sanction, and, if so, in what circumstances; in how many cases in the last five years it has been applied; and whether he will take steps to put a stop to it; and

(2) whether his attention has been drawn to the case of a prisoner at Dartmoor who had a crippled arm and was certified insane and removed to Broadmoor; whether that prisoner is still at Broadmoor; whether he is now sane, and, if not, from what form of insanity is he suffering; whether his insanity was brought about wholly or partly by his treatment in Dartmoor; whether his arm became crippled as a result of an attack upon him by a prison officer at Dartmoor; and whether any inquiry has been, or will be, held into the circumstances under which his arm was crippled.

The Home Secretary replied as follows:—

(1) There is no foundation whatever for the hon. member's suggestion that such a system exists, or has recently existed, at Dartmoor or any other prison. I hope that the hon. member will let me know the source of this baseless story. I am sure he will agree that, in fairness to the prison service, its author should not remain anonymous.

(2) I presume that the case referred to is that of a prisoner named A. H. Jackson, who in April of last year sustained a deep cut on his right forearm from broken glass. The circumstances were fully investigated at the time by the Board of Visitors, whose inquiry showed that there was no foundation for the suggestion that he had been attacked by a prison officer. The suggestion that the prisoner subsequently became insane owing to his treatment in prison is equally unfounded. His mental condition has improved, but he is still unfit to leave Broadmoor Asylum. He was suffering from delusional insanity.

Sir S. Hoare's Letter

Sir Samuel Hoare sent the following letter to Mr. Pritt:—

I was sorry that you were not in your place this afternoon to put to me your questions numbered 37 and 38 about Dartmoor. As you will see, my answers are a complete denial of the statements and implications in your questions. As regards the alleged wakening of prisoners undergoing punishment at intervals throughout the night, I should be much obliged if you find it possible to respond to my suggestion that you should make known the source of this story, and as regards your other question you may like to have the following information in amplification of my answer.

On April 1, 1936, the convict was reported for using violent and threatening language to a prison officer. Pending investigation of the charge he was removed to a separate hall in the prison, and while he was being searched there he broke away, kicked one of the officers in the stomach, snatched his stave from his pocket, and climbed up the girders supporting the roof. He then smashed the glass in several roof lights from the inside, and when one of the officers climbed on the outside of the roof the convict tried to strike him with the stave through a hole in the glass. It was in doing this that he cut his arm on the broken edge of the glass which he himself had smashed.

In view of the publicity which these two questions have received in some of the newspapers. I am sending copies of this letter to the Press.

FILM COWBOYS TO BE PAID MORE

Hollywood's Small Part Player Much Happier Now

A new scale of wages has been won for American actors through the efforts of the Screen Actors Guild and its head, Mr. Robert Montgomery. The minimum daily pay for extras is now $5.50, instead of the old figure of $3.20. Film cowboys are to receive $11 instead of $5 a day. Small part players who have long bewailed their low earnings are happier now. But costs will be higher by something between $2,000 and $5,000 a picture, and the smaller independent companies, who produce 240 of Hollywood's 700 feature pictures a year, will be chiefly affected. The public will in the end be called upon to foot the bill.

Several facts of interest emerge from this dispatch, among them the intelligence that cowboys are to be paid more for their work on the films; their daily wage is raised from $5 to $11. This is fine for the cowboys, but slightly disquieting for the public comments "The Times." Already we see too few cowboys on the screen where once they reigned almost supreme; and with the price of each cowboy rather more than doubled we may henceforth see fewer still.

This would be terrible. Few gentlemen prefer blondes to bronchos, and Hollywood despite ephemeral successes in other *genres*, has never yet discovered a more satisfactory kind of picture than that in which all the characters—except the silvery haired old mother, who stayed at home graciously shooting Indians with a musket—used periodically to gallop down a precipice in a heavy downpour of black rain.

It is true that recent cowboy films have shown a slight tendency to degeneracy. Horses, for one thing, have lost that wonderful turn of speed they used to have in the old silent days, and nowadays, even when extended, rarely go faster on the films than they do in real life. Hollywood is badly mistaken if it imagines that this concession to a pedantic naturalism pleases the public taste; we were brought up on horses which could do their seventy or eighty m.p.h. with ease over very bad going indeed, and those are the kind of horses that we like.

Intrusion of Crooning

A more obvious and therefore less insidious symptom of decay is the intrusion of crooning into the great open spaces. On the range, in the saloon, and even sometimes among the wigwams and tepees, both paleface and redskin have formed the wholly regrettable habit of bursting at frequent intervals into song, and song of a painfully sentimental kind.

This will not do. A Red Indian is not there to utter love-calls, but to use his tomahawk like a man until retribution overtakes him (which it does partly on account of his villainy, but chiefly because of his passion for standing silhoutted on sky-lines, an easy target for the hero, even at the customary range of two and a half miles). It is high time Hollywood stopped mixing melody with mustangs, and it is to be hoped that the cowboys will take advantage of their improved economic position to remedy the abuses which beset their calling.

At the same time it must be understood that there is to be no nonsense about the heroine, who is still just as good as she ever was and in no need of reform. Let no impious hand ruffle those golden locks which escaped disarray even at moments when she could hardly call her scalp her own. Let no one curb her impulse to throw open the log-cabin door to masked and hooded strangers when she has been left alone. Let no one suggest that when thrown into a torrent she ought to get wet or that when flung over a cliff she might be expected to suffer abrasions. Let no one change anything about her.

For many of us—as she stands in her simple Paris dress gazing wistfully out across the prairie, waiting for somebody to knock her down and bind her hand and foot—for many of us she is the woman of our dreams.

BURNS ON FINGERS AND TOES

Home Police Court Story of Cruelty to a Child: "He Bumped My Head" Against a Wall

Sentence of six months' imprisonment with hard labour was imposed by Mr. Herbert Metcalfe, the Magistrate at the North London Police Court on Stanley James Bartter, of Albion Road, Stoke Newington, who had been summoned by the N.S.P.C.C. for wilfully illtreating and neglecting his wife's five-year-old illegitimate daughter, Hilda Joan Bungey, in a manner likely to cause her unnecessary suffering or injury to health.

A similar summons against the mother, Dora Joan Bartter, was dismissed.

Dr. Leon M. Shirlaw, of Stoke Newington Road, giving evidence, stated that on April 12 he examined the girl and found eight or a dozen burns on the fingers and toes. They had passed the blister stage. Some were red and some had crusts, and they appeared to have been done at different times. They were burns such as might have been done with a cigarette end. In his opinion, they could not have been done accidentally. There was also a bruise with a scab at the back of one hand, and the right eye had been blackened and was still discoloured. The child was definitely undernourished. She was a bright child and answered questions instantly.

Cross-examined by Mr. J. C. Watts, for the defence, the doctor said he was sure the injuries on the fingers and toes were burns. There was no possibility that they were not.

Inspector Albert Edward Rivers, of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, stated that he saw the child in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Bartter at their home on May 13. He asked her who bruised her eye, which was slightly discoloured, and her nose, and she said: "Daddy. He hit my head against the wall." No comment was made by the defendant or his wife. The man was smoking a cigarette and he just grinned. There was a mark which appeared to have been made with a cigarette at the back of each knee, and he asked the child who burnt the backs of her knees. She did not reply, but looked at Bartter, terrified. He asked the man and the woman if they could tell him who had burnt or beaten the child and neither replied. The mother burst into tears.

Child in Court

The child, a fair-haired, pretty girl, was brought into Court and placed on a chair. Questioned by the Magistrate, she nodded or shook her head in reply. Asked if anyone had hurt her, she nodded.

The Magistrate.—Who?

The child.—Daddy.

The Magistrate.—What did he do which hurt you.

The child.—He bumped my head.

The Magistrate.—How did he do that?

The child.—Against the wall.

In the witness-box Bartter declared that he had never burnt the child. He said that he was told by his mother that the girl had fallen on the fire. He had never done more than smack the child. It was not true that he bumped her head on the wall. He treated her the same as his own children.

The Magistrate said that he did not believe a word the defendant said. No doubt the child was unwanted in this house. It was just about as atrocious a case as one could possibly conceive, and he believed the injuries were deliberately caused by Bartter.

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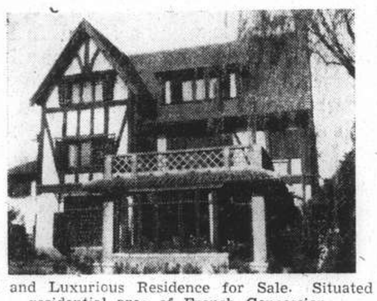
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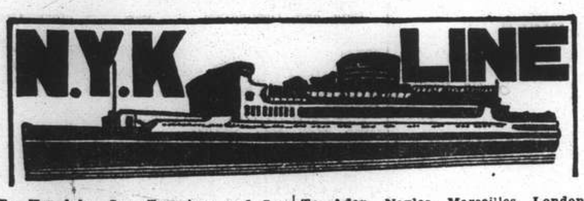

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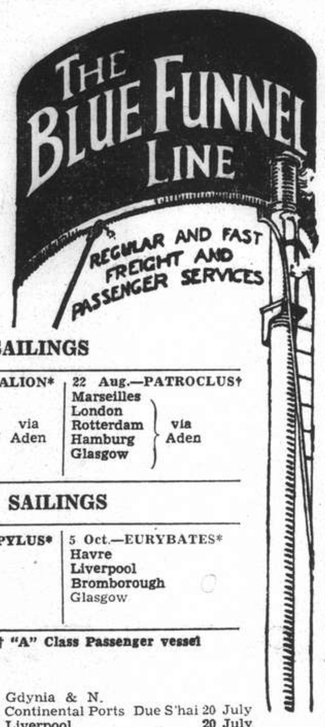

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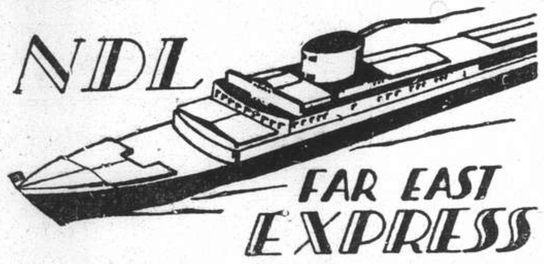

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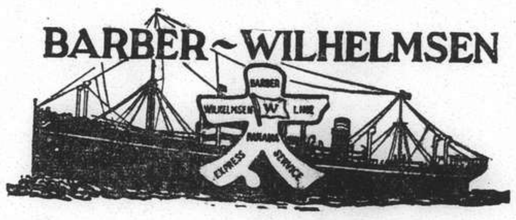

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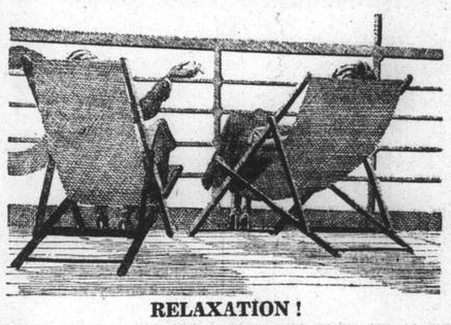

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SS. FUH WO RUNS AGROUND

The ss. Fuh Wo, of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., is aground at Shih Pao Chai, a few miles above Ichang. She was proceeding up river, and grounded on Saturday as a result of a freshet which swirled around her sides, forcing her well out of her course. There were no passengers on board the vessel.

H.M.S. Gannet is standing by to render whatever assistance is necessary, while the ss. Hsia Chang Wo is also staying in the vicinity to assist in floating off the stranded vessel, and to take off her cargo. The Fuh Wo will be brought back to Shanghai for repairs.

TURKISH PRESIDENT'S NEW YACHT LAUNCHED

Berlin, July 18.

A 50-ton motor cruiser yacht built for the Turkish President, Kemal Ataturk, was launched at noon to-day at Berlin-Pichelsdorf.

The yacht, which has been built in the extraordinarily short time of three months against the customary period of 11 or 12 months, is 27½ metres long and equipped with two German Diesel motors of 150 h.p. each.

On Wednesday the vessel will proceed to Hamburg under her own powder and will there be taken on board a rapid cargo steamer specially chartered for the purpose.

She was named by the Secretary-General of Turkey, M. Soyak, who gave the yacht the name of "Acar," or "Dare-Devil."—Trans-Ocean.

NEW QUAY AT NORTH SHIELDS

A new quay at Albert Edward Dock entrance at North Shields, constructed by the Tyne Improvement Commission for the accommodation of passenger and cargo trade between Tyne and Oslo, was formally opened late last month by Sir Arthur Sutherland, chairman of the Commission.

The new quay marks the completion of schemes costing £500,000, carried out by the Tyne Commission to facilitate trade with Norway. As a result of the construction of the new quay Messrs. Fred Olsen and Co., Limited, have intimated an extension of their services with this country.

SUNK SHIP'S CREW RESCUED

An air search for men in a lifeboat rowing in a gale after their cargo steamer had sunk, ended successfully in the Orkneys recently.

Flying Officer Adam Smith, of the Kirkwall depot of Highland Airways, Limited, set out at 4 p.m. to search for a small boat flying distress signals a mile and a half south-east of Start Point, Island of Sanday. A coastguard message started that the men in the boat were pulling in a westerly direction in a gale of wind with showers prevailing. Later Flying Officer Smith reported by wireless that he had located the craft, which was being taken in tow by a trawler.

At 7 o'clock the trawler, the Loch Assater, of Aberdeen, put into Kirkwall with the crew of the cargo steamer. The Shetlands, from Agesund on board and the lifeboat in tow. The men said the steamer, loaded with herring barrels, had foundered north of North Ronaldshay at 8.30 that morning. All the crew of 23 escaped, the mate being rescued from among floating barrels after the steamer sank. The rowed until taken in tow late in the afternoon. After they were observed from Start Point Lighthouse, Sanday, a signal was sent to the trawler, the Loch Assater. The lighthouse men also notified all shore stations, resulting in the aeroplane search.

Blue Funnel Movements

The ss. Patroclus, from Liverpool via Hongkong, is expected to berth at Holts Wharf at about 6 o'clock this morning, while the Eurypulus, from Gdynia via Hongkong, is expected to tie up at the same wharf at about 1 o'clock this afternoon. The Pyrrhus, now at buoys 13 and 14, sails for Hakodate to-morrow, while the Theseus, which also sails to-morrow and is now at Holts Wharf, will sail for Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.

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B. & S. Vessels

The ss. Woosung is expected to arrive in port to-day from Hankow and the usual river ports. At midnight to-night, the ss. Wulin sails from the French Bund for Hankow and Changsha by way of the usual river ports. At 10 o'clock this morning, the Hunan will sail from the French Bund for Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Tientsin, while two hours earlier, at 8 o'clock this morning, the Kwangchow will sail for Foochow, Swatow, Hongkong and Canton.

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The Potsdam

The Norddeutscher Lloyd ss. Potsdam is expected to arrive in Shanghai to-morrow morning at about 11 o'clock from Yokohama and Kobe on her way through to Europe. She will moor at buoys 11 and 12, opposite the Shanghai Waterworks plant, and will remain in port for two days. At 6 o'clock Friday morning, she is to sail from the same buoys, bound for Hongkong, Manila, Singapore, Penang, Belewan, Colombo, Port Said, Genoa, Southampton, Rotterdam and Bremen.

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Jardine Ships

At 6 o'clock this morning, the Collier Yih Sung is expected to berth at the Old Ningpo Wharf from Hankow and the usual river ports. Jardine's do not expect any other vessels to arrive in port to-day. Sailings, however, include the Daviken, which sailed at 4 o'clock this morning from No. 2 buoy for Tsingtao; the Chaksang, which sails at 7 o'clock this morning from Hunts Wharf for Swatow, Hongkong and Canton; and the Kungwo, which will leave Hunts Wharf at midnight for Hankow and river ports. Arriving to-morrow morning from Hankow and ports, the Siangwo will berth at Hunts Wharf.

President Grant Sails

With passengers and the mails, the American Mail Line President Grant sailed for Seattle, by way of Kobe, Yokohama and Victoria, early this morning from buoys 15 and 16. She arrived in port yesterday from Hongkong and Manila.

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Tjisondari Sails

The Java-China-Japan Line ss. Tjisondari sails from Customs lower buoys 12 and 13 to-day with passengers and cargo for Keelung, Amoy, Hongkong, Muntok, Batavia, Cheribon, Semarang and Soerabaia. The J.C.J.L. maintain their own office in the Brunner Mond building (Tel. 16247).

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General Pershing

The States Steamship Co.'s ss. General Pershing arrived in port early yesterday morning from Portland, Oregon, by way of the usual Japan ports; she tied up at the China Merchants Lower Wharf, to discharge mails from the United States. She is expected to sail early this afternoon with passengers for Hongkong and Manila.

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The ss. Ranchi

The P. & O. ss. Ranchi arrived from Japan yesterday morning, when she tied up at buoys 11 and 12. She sails at about the usual time this afternoon for London by way of Hongkong, Singapore, Colombo, Bombay, Aden, Port Said, Malta, Marseilles and Gibraltar with a large number of passengers, the mails and cargo. The last tender for the ship will leave the Customs Jetty at 2.30 p.m. to-day, or half an hour later than usual.

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From Seattle To-day

The American Mail Line trans-Pacific liner President Jackson is expected in port late this morning from Seattle and Victoria, B.C., by way of Yokohama and Kobe; she is to berth alongside the Dollar Wharf, Pootung. Passengers disembarking from the ship are expected to arrive at the Customs Jetty shortly after noon. The President Jackson sails at 11.45 o'clock to-morrow morning for Hongkong and Manila; the last tender will leave the Customs Jetty promptly an hour before (10.45 a.m.)

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BUSIER DAYS ON THE CLYDE

Two Troop-Carrying Motor Vessels Ordered

Although the output from Clyde shipyards during June was exceptionally good, the total being the second best monthly figure this year, the the only contracts of importance placed were for two troop-carrying motor-ships for the P. & O. Line and the Libby Line respectively. These vessels will each be of 11,000 tons.

The diminution in orders for merchant tonnage is probably due to the difficulty in obtaining steel supplies, the volume of warship construction on hand, and the soaring prices of raw materials. During June nine vessels were launched aggregating 38,764 tons. The six months just completed also has the best record of output on the river since 1930.

In the first half of the year 47 vesels of 165,999 tons have been launched—an increase over the same period last year of almost 40,000 tons. The January-June output of 1930, however, was 293,166 tons, so that, busy as the yards may be to-day, their output is still considerably lower than before the depression.

It is, however, a healthy sign that as soon as one vessel is consigned to the water from the Govan yard of Messrs. Harland and Wolff it has become the practice to lay the keel-plate of another. In the Clydebank yard of John Brown and Co. the work on hand is valued at £20,000,000 which is comparable with the activity of the War years.

BRITISH SHIP ON FIRE IN SOUTH ATLANTIC

Montevideo, July 18.

A British steamer to-day sent an "SOS" message, reporting that its engine-room was on fire; it gave its position as roughly ten miles east of Cape Santa Maria.

The ship is believed to be the ss. Barrhill, on the Buenos Aires-Antwerp run.—United Press.

SHORTAGE OF WELCH CARGO SHIPS

Owing to big profits from the freight boom, Welsh shipowners who bought vessels during the slump ten years ago have received back in the last six months more than they paid for them.

With profitable employment offered in all directions owners are able to pick and choose employment whereas a year ago they were glad to jump at almost any cargo offer.

For two months Russia has sought 30 ships, and so far has managed to secure only half a dozen. Owners are demanding fifty per cent. more freight than a year ago.

ARGENTINE ORDERS FOR BRITAIN

Orders for 20 steam locomotives, 11 light Diesel shunting locomotives, and 50 steel tank wagons have been placed with British firms by the Buenos Ayres Great Southern and the Buenos Ayres Western railways. The work will cost approximately £300,000, and will take nine months to complete.

The locomotives will be built by the Vulcan Foundry and the English Electric Company of Preston. Messrs. Hurst and Nelson, of Glasgow, will construct the tank wagons, which are to be used for the transport of petroleum.

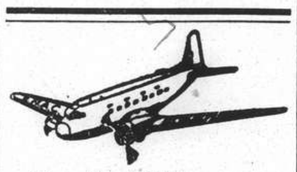
These orders follow contracts for railcars costing £400,000 and 600,000 tons of ooal placed in Britain by British-Argentine Railways during the last six months.

"HIT AND RUN" CASE AT SEA

Soudan Rescues Four Men: Brought Here in Ranchi

Yesterday morning, four shipwrecked Chinese fishermen were on board the P. & O. ss. Ranchi when she arrived in Shanghai from Kobe. The victims of a "hit and run" case at sea, the men had drifted helplessly on the wreckage of their junk for over twelve hours, they said yesterday. Some ship had collided with their small vessel at night and continued on her way leaving them exposed to the rigours of the open sea with virtually nothing but driftwood between them and a watery death.

They were sighted, however, by the P. & O. ss. Soudan, outward bound from Shanghai, on Sunday morning about sixty miles from Shanghai. Capt. Lloyde-Collen of the Soudan ordered his vessel to stop and the four fishermen were hauled on board, weak from fatigue but grateful. The P. & O. ss. Ranchi was on her way to Shanghai from Kobe and the fishermen were therefore transferred to her when the two steamers passed. A lifeboat was lowered to effect the transfer. In the Ranchi they were given dry cothing and food and upon arrival in Shanghai yesterday morning were placed in the care of the Shanghai River Police.



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Barometer inches	29.77	29.81	29.80	29.81	29.88	29.85
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.01	—0.02	0.00	—0.02	0.00	—0.01
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	—0.03	—0.02	+0.03	0.00	—	—
Wind (direction)	ESE	SE	SE	SSE	SSE	SSE
" (miles per hour)	16.8	12.4	8.7	14.9	4 force	4 force
Temperature (Fahr.)	90.°1	80.°4	79.°6	84.°9	80.°6	84.°2
Humidity	68	89	91	81	—	—
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	6	6	5	5	10	10
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report July 18	Mean 1937	24 hours variation	Previous average same period (64 years)
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	29.80	+0.02	29.70
Temp. Min. 77.°0 Max. 94.°8	85.°9	+1.°2	81.°3
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	21.65	—	26.02

Date	20/7	21/7	22/7	23/7	24/7	25/7	26/7	27/7	28/7
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.02	5.03	5.03	5.04	5.04	5.05	5.05	5.06	5.06
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.59	18.58	18.58	18.56	18.56	18.55	18.55	18.55	18.55
Moon rises at Shanghai	16.41	17.27	18.10	18.49	19.26	20.00	20.33	21.07	21.43
Moon sets at Shanghai	2.14	3.05	4.00	4.57	5.55	6.54	7.53	8.53	9.54
Flood makes Shanghai	7.40	8.28	9.00	9.38	10.25	11.09	11.50	12.41	13.20
Ebb. makes Shanghai	13.15	13.50	14.32	15.21	16.05	16.45	17.21	17.57	6.21
H.W. at Woosung Bar	10.00	10.54	11.35	12.10	12.43	13.14	13.46	14.20	14.58

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Fusan.—ss. Heian Maru
River Ports.—ss. Yih Sung, ss. Woosung, ss. Hoong Hsin
Ningpo.—ss. Hsin Kiangteen, ss. Ningshin

Due at Future Dates

The first date after the ship's name is the date on which she left the port under which she is listed. The last date, that on which she is due in Shanghai.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From LONDON

Rajputana	18/6	25/7
Ranpura	2/7	30/7
Burdwan	26/6	9/8

From LIVERPOOL

Patroclus	5/6	20/7
Achilles	19/6	30/7
Memnon	26/6	5/8
Stentor	3/7	14/3
Antenor	10/7	17/8
Menelaus	17/7	27/8

From GLASGOW

Memnon	19/6	5/8
Stentor	3/7	14/8
Antenor	3/7	17/8

From COPENHAGEN

Africa	26/5	23/7
Tongking	27/5	11/8
India	3/7	6/9

From GOTHENBURG

Nagara	—	20/7
Agra	29/5	24/7
Triton	19/6	7/8
Delhi	—	20/8

From OSLO

Nagara	4/6	20/7
Trianon	3/6	23/7
Triton	—	8/8
Delhi	28/6	20/8
Tourcoing	—	11/9

From GDYNIA

Teucer	26/6	16/8
Cyclops	14/7	3/9

From ANTWERP

Sin'ton Crt.	3/6	21/7
Kulmerland	9/6	22/7
Duisburg	18/6	4/8
Oldenburg	7/7	14/8

From ROTTERDAM

Ermland	4/6	21/7
N. de Larrinaga	1/6	25/7
Trave	25/6	7/8
Meerkerk	1/7	14/8

From HAMBURG

Trave	19/6	7/8

From HAMBURG

Gneisenau	10/7	14/8

From MARSEILLES

L.S.L. Bie	—	20/7
Jean Laborde	25/6	26/7
Sikiang	—	12/8

From TRIESTE

Sumatra	20/5	23/7
Riv	30/6	14/8
Cortellazzo	29/6	18/8

From PORT SAID

Ermland	17/6	21/7
Sin'ton Crt.	17/6	21/7
Kulmerland	22/6	22/7
N. de Larrinaga	16/6	25/7
Rajputana	30/6	25/7
Duisburg	3/7	4/8
Trave	10/7	7/8

From MASSOWAH

Sumatra	10/6	23/7

From COLOMBO

Ermland	30/6	21/7
Kulmerland	7/7	22/7
Sumatra	1/7	23/7
N. de Larrinaga	30/6	25/7

From SOURABAYA

Tjikarang	5/7	25/7
Tjinegara	9/7	24/7

From KARACHI

Sumatra	24/6	23/7

From CALCUTTA

Talma	2/7	26/7

From SINGAPORE

Kulmerland	13/7	22/7
Sumatra	11/7	23/7
N. de Larrinaga	11/7	25/7

From MANILA

Ermland	15/7	21/7
Emp. Russia	—	25/7

From HONGKONG

Sin'ton Court	17/7	21/7

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK

Ward	—	25/7
Steel Navig.	5/6	27/7
P. Harrison	10/6	27/7
P. Taft	17/6	30/7
Malayan Prince	—	31/7
P. Polk	24/6	10/8
C. Evansville	14/6	15/8
Maron	27/6	17/8
Foylebank	6/7	23/8
Birmingham City	—	23/8
Potter	—	24/8
Pres. Pierce	8/7	24/8

From VANCOUVER

Emp. Japan	10/7	27/7
Tyndareus	7/7	1/8

From SEATTLE

Pres. Jackson	3/7	20/7
Tyndareus	30/6	1/8
Ixion	17/7	29/8

From SAN FRANCISCO

Lossiebank	23/6	3/8

From LOS ANGELES

Chichibu M.	—	20/7

From YOKOHAMA

Potsdam	—	21/7

From OSAKA

Mikage M.	—	21/7

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN

Hoten M.	—	21/7
Tsingtao M.	—	23/7

From TIENTSIN

Shuntien	—	21/7
Fausang	—	22/7
Yochow	—	22/7
Shengking	—	25/7
Leesang	—	25/7

From WEIHAIWEI

Kwaisang	—	24/7

From TSINGTAO

Tsingtao M.	—	23/7
Daviken	—	24/7

From FUSAN

Heian Maru	—	20/7

From HONGKONG

Yunnan	—	22/7
Kiungchow	—	22/7
Szechuen	—	25/7
Taiyuan	—	25/7

From CANTON

Norviken	—	22/7
An Shing	—	22/7
Taksang	—	24/7

From YANGTZE PORTS

Hoong Hsin	—	20/7
Woosung	—	20/7
Siangwo	—	21/7
Wuhu	—	22/7
Loongwo	—	22/7
Wuchang	—	23/7
Kutwo	—	24/7
Tuckwo	—	25/7
Tatung	—	25/7

From NINGPO

H. Kiangteen	19/7	20/7
Ningshin	19/7	20/7
H. Peking	20/7	21/7
H. Ningshao	20/7	21/7

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Berthed	Consigness
Tingsang	Tientsin	ONW	Jardine
Hai Chen	Tsingtao	KLYW	C M S N
Ranchi	Japan	11-12 B	Mackenzie
Ningshao	River Ports	NSCW	Ningpo S S
Prosper	River Ports	KLYW	C M S N
Lyons M.	Hongkong	PW	N Y K
Gen. Pershing	Japan	CMLW	States
Tseangtah Haven	River Ports	NTSTSW	C I & E L
Pres. Grant	Hongkong	15-16 B	Robert
Tel		TTCW	C K S S
San Peh		HSWP	San Peh
Wulin	River Ports	CNWP	B & S
H. F. Mccormick	Japan		
Tjisondari	Dairen	12-13 B	J-C Japan
Fengyang M.	River Ports	NKKW	N K K
Ming Lien	River Ports	TTCW	M S Ind.
Yisung		US	C H S S
Chekiang	Hongkong	CHW	B & S
Taishan	Hongkong	PWW	Dodwell
Fookyuen	River Ports	McW	S F du H Y
Pingwo	River Ports	HW	Jardine

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Destination	Despatcher
Kiangwah	Chi	River Ports	C M S N
Wooling M.	Jap	Changsha Ports	N K K
Chaumont	Am	Cruise	
Ebeth Moller	Br	Wuhu	D K K K
Antilochus	Br	Liverpool, etc	B & S
Hai Li	Chi	Tsingtao	C M S N
Hsuchow	Chi		T P S S
Yushun	Chi	Pukow	C M S N
Sever	Rus	Vladivostok	Union S S
Benmohr	Br	Japan	Gibb. L'ston
Hsin Peking	Br	Ningpo	B & S
Hsin Ningshao	Chi	Ningpo	Ningpo S S

Vessels in Harbour

Arrived	Name	Tons	Flag	Berthed
July 1	Ming Tsu	676	Chi	US
July 4	Tsangwoo	1049	Chi	PADW
July 4	Fuyang	552	Chi	SPCD
July 6	S. V. de Paul	770	Br	Int. DW
July 9	Huashan M.	1285	Jap	TKDD
July 11	Houtman	3161	Net	YTPDW
July 11	Founder	2344	Br	ONW
July 11	Chungwoo	1234	Chi	TKDDW
July 12	Siangyang M.	1984	Jap	US
July 13	Pyrrhus	4695	Br	HWP
July 13	Nordpol	2733	Dan	KNADW
July 13	Tien Shing	969	Chi	7-8 B US
July 14	Tungwo	961	Br	BJ
July 14	Wan Tsai	652	Chi	YTPD
July 14	Daisy Moller	3062	Br	33-34 B
July 14	Hsin Ching	316	Chi	KNAD
July 15	D'lington Court	4329	Br	SHW
July 15	Taranger	2984	Nor	11-12 B US
July 16	Kiangshin	2101	Chi	KNAD
July 16	Ming-I	588	Chi	TTCW
July 16	Yu Ping	1546	Chi	CMW
July 16	Ryoga M.	704	Jap	NTSTSW
July 17	Hai Li	2116	Chi	KLYW
July 17	Theseus	4282	Br	13-14 B
July 17	Nanyang M.	1968	Jap	NYKW
July 17	Shasi	790	Br	CNCW
July 17	Taishun	1216	Chi	KLYB 1-2
July 17	Yunyang M.	596	Jap	NKKW
July 17	Yung Shun	908	Chi	CERW
July 17	Suiwo	1931	Br	HW
July 17	Pei Hai	442	Chi	WSW
July 17	Shinai	1451	Br	HSWP
July 17	Shinfu	892	Br	25-26 B
July 17	Dah Pu	1146	Nor	MBKUW
July 17	Haihsiang	1185	Chi	YKDW
July 17	Hsingshih	1239	Chi	HSWP
July 18	Hsinfung	1335	Chi	KLYW
July 18	Chaksang	1470	Br	HW
July 18	Tokai M.	5048	Jap	OSKYW
July 18	Daviken	1178	Nor	HW
July 18	Haean	869	Chi	KLYW
July 18	Hwelan	886	Chi	US
July 18	Kwangchow	1572	Br	CNCW
July 18	Changhsing	2121	Chi	NSCW
July 18	Kungwo	2825	Br	HW
July 18	Wusueh	1731	Br	CNWP
July 18	Changon	2235	Br	KMAW
July 18	Chengta	1069	Chi	TTCW
July 18	Tsinan	2100	Br	CNCB 1-2
July 18	Hunan	1621	Br	CNCW

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FENGYANG M., July 22. HANKOW and PORTS.—The s.s. Fengyang Maru leaves from N.Y.K. Mail Wharf on Thursday, at 9.30 a.m. This vessel offers both "A" and "B" Class Passenger Accommodation at $60 and $40 respectively to Hankow. For Freight or Passage apply to N.K.K. Tel. 19600. 21-7

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INWARD FOREIGN MAILS

From Europe by Suez.....Patroclus, left Liverpool June 5, due S'hai July 21
From U.S.A.....Pres. Jackson, left Seattle July 3, due Shanghai July 20

OUTWARD FOREIGN MAILS

For Europe by Suez....Ranchi, closes at 12 on July 20, due London Aug. 21
For U.S.A.....Emp. of Russia, closes on July 25, due Vancouver Aug. 9
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TO-DAY'S ENTERTAINMENTS

			Tel.
Auditorium: Hai-Alai, 8 p.m.	70099	Lafayette: Here's to Romance	81200
Capitol: Morocco	17100	Metropol: Elephant Boy	93322
Cathay: A Successful Calamity	73757	Nanking: Maytime	84133
Ciro's: Entertainment	34340	Rialto: She's Dangerous	94110
Grand: Black Legion	32223	Willies: The Three Wise Guys	43982
Hongkew: Jungle Princess	40148		
Isis: Blow for Blow	46721		

JAPANESE DISSATISFIED WITH CHINESE NOTE

Nanking Aide Memoire Proposes Mutual End to Troop Moves, Withdrawal on Fixed Date

RELATIONS AT BREAKING POINT

Hope Seen in Interview Arranged This Morning: Gen. Kita Gives "Friendly Warning"

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Nanking, July 19.

SINO-Japanese relations are dangerously near the breaking point this evening as the aide-memoire presented by the Chinese to the Japanese embassy this afternoon, presumably in reply to the Japanese demarche of last Saturday, is evidently regarded in Japanese quarters as unsatisfactory. However, one ray of hope on the otherwise gloomy horizon is the fact that an appointment has been arranged for 8 a.m. to-morrow between the Foreign Minister and the Japanese Chargé d'Affaires, Mr. S. Hidaka.

In the course of this afternoon General S. Kita, the Japanese Military Attaché, called on the Minister of War for the purpose, it is stated, of delivering what is described by a Japanese embassy spokesman as a "friendly warning" as to the gravity of the situation in North China. General Kita is said to have expressed disappointment at General Ho Ying-ching's attitude. From the fact that he is returning to Shanghai by to-night's express, however, it would appear that either there is no truth in the report that he came prepared to present a series of stiff demands to the authorities here in the event of the Chinese reaction to the Japanese demarche proving unsatisfactory, or that he has postponed that intention in view of the meeting which is to take place between the Foreign Minister and Mr. Hidaka to-morrow.

In foreign diplomatic circles here the hope is expressed that a final rupture will be postponed at least one more day, though it is feared that only statesmanship of a very high order on both sides can prevent major hostilities.

Japanese Army "Last Warning" Given Nanking

Maj.-Gen. S. Kita Calls on Gen. Ho Ying-chin

PATRIOTIC FERVOUR IS RISING IN JAPAN

Nanking, July 19.

The Japanese Army's "last warning" to China was served on Generals Ho Ying-chin and Cheng Chien, respectively War Minister and Chief of General Staff, this afternoon by Maj.-Gen. Seiichi Kita, Japanese Military Attache.

China, the Japanese officer is reported to have told the Chinese generals, must "disregard minor differences" on the settlement of the North China incident, and "save the situation" by a prompt withdrawal of Central troops and the air force to their original stations.

Emphasizing the desire of the Japanese Army to avoid an aggravation of the situation, Maj.-Gen. Kita is said to have accused the Chinese Government of "highly provocative" actions.

Among these he reportedly placed Nanking's refusal to recognize agreements reached by local authorities in North China and the northward march of Central troops "in violation of the Ho-Umetsu Agreement."

Gen. Ho, on whom Maj.-Gen. Kita called at 5 p.m., is reported to have admitted that Central troops have been marching north, but described it as a "purely self-defensive measure."

The Japanese officer called on Gen. Cheng at 3 p.m.—Domei.

Tokyo Stands Ready

Tokyo, July 19.

With Sino-Japanese relations rapidly nearing a crisis, the Tokyo "city fathers" to-day began preparations to declare a state of emergency in the metropolitan district at any moment, to safeguard the Capital "against all possible contingencies."

Officials at the War Ministry have been working overtime for the past 48 hours, opening and acknowledging letters of encouragement and containing monetary contributions. Yesterday, the Ministry received a total of Y.6,996.62, mostly in small amounts. Among the contributions was Y.10.75 in small coins, sent by an eight-year-old boy, who wrote: "We are grateful to the Army for its service in such hot weather." Another letter, scribbled in blood, contained a reservist's appeal for permission to go to the front lines.

Hundreds of others are volunteering for service, among them being fourteen members of the Japan Students' Aviation League, who arrived at the Haneda air-port here yesterday to begin a brief period of vigorous training in preparation for mobilization orders.

Gaimusho Vigilant

Officials of both the Gaimusho and the War Ministry said it was necessary to maintain a vigilant watch over the observance of the terms of the agreement of July 11 by China.

Japan, a Gaimusho spokesman said to-day, continues to regard the Lukouchiao incident as a local affair, "but if it is expanded, the Government will treat it differently."

Japan's attitude, he said, "will be changed for instance, if Nanking persists in interfering with local negotiations in Peiping and Tientsin, or if Nanking continues to send its troops north."

The Japanese Government, he continued, is as anxious as Nanking for an amicable settlement of the incident, "but fears that the Ho-Umetsu agreement of 1935 has already been violated by the Central Government."

The military authorities here continued to profess pessimism over the outcome of Sino-Japanese talks.

Messages from Hankow reported continued transportation of military equipment and food north on the Peiping-Hankow Railway. Passenger trains, operating on a one or two-train daily schedule, were said to run only as far as Chengchow, Honan.—Domei.

Nanking, July 19.

The Chinese Government reiterated its desire for a peaceful settlement of the Lukouchiao incident in an Aide Memoire sent by the Foreign Office to the Japanese Embassy at 2.30 this afternoon in reply to Japan's "virtual ultimatum" of July 17.

In the note the Chinese Government proposed that a definite date be fixed for the simultaneous cessation of military movements and the withdrawal of troops on both sides. It also expressed its readiness to enter into negotiations immediately with the Japanese Government through regular diplomatic channels.

An English translation of the Aide Memoire follows:—

"Since the outbreak of the Lukouchiao incident China having not the least desire to aggravate the situation or provoke a conflict with Japan

Mr. Shinrokuro Hidaka, Counsellor of the Japanese Embassy.

has repeatedly declared her readiness to seek a settlement by pacific means. The Japanese Government while professing anxiety not to see the situation aggravated has at the same time despatched large numbers of troops to the province of Hopei. The movements of Japanese troops which have not yet ceased indicate a clear intention on the part of Japan to resort to force.

"In the circumstances the Chinese Government has been compelled to take adequate precautionary measures for self-defence but the Chinese Government has not relaxed its consistent efforts for peace. On July 12 the Minister for Foreign Affairs in discussing the situation with Mr. S. Hidaka, Counsellor of the Japanese Embassy, proposed mutual cessation of military movement and withdrawal of troops on both sides to their original positions. It is to be regretted that no reply to this proposal has yet been received from Japan.

Joint Withdrawal Suggested

"The Chinese Government now wishes to reiterate its desire for a peaceful settlement of the incident as well as its intention not to aggravate the situation. It is therefore proposed that the two parties jointly fix a definite date on which both sides shall simultaneously cease all military movements and withdraw their respective armed forces to the positions occupied prior to the incident. In view of the peaceful aspirations voiced by the Japanese Government the Chinese Government trusts that the proposal will be acceptable to Japan.

"As regards the procedure to be followed for a just settlement of the Lukouchiao incident, the Chinese Government is prepared immediately to enter into negotiations with the Japanese Government through regular diplomatic channels. The settlement of questions of a local nature susceptible of adjustment on the spot shall be subject to the sanction of the Chinese National Government.

"In short the Chinese Government is ready to exhaust all pacific means for the maintenance of peace in Eastern Asia. Therefore all methods provided by international law and international treaties for the pacific settlement of international disputes—such as direct negotiations, good offices, mediation, arbitration, etc.—are equally acceptable to the Chinese Government."—Central News.

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China's Stand Over Northern Crisis Defined

Gen. Chiang Sets Forth Limit of Concessions

NATION AT STAKE

Decision for War Rests with Japanese

Kuling, July 19.

Setting forth the minimum conditions acceptable to the Chinese nation for the settlement of the Sino-Japan dispute in North China, General Chiang Kai-shek yesterday made an important statement to educational and technical leaders of the country now gathered in Kuling. The conditions include:

No infringement on China's sovereign rights.

No illegal alteration in the status of the Hopei-Charhar Political Council.

No removal of officials appointed by the Central Government, on account of outside pressure.

No restriction upon the positions being held by the 29th Army.

The full text of General Chiang's statement follows:—

"When China was carrying out its cardinal policy of maintaining external peace and internal unity the Lukouchiao incident suddenly broke out, throwing the nation into a state of profound indignation and causing great concern to the whole world. The consequences of this incident threatened the very existence of China and the peace of East Asia. At this juncture, in answer to the many inquiries, I wish to state the following:

"1.—The Chinese race has always been peace-loving. The internal policy of the National Government has always been directed towards maintaining internal unity and, in our foreign relations, mutual respect and co-existence with other nations. In February of this year, at the Plenary Session, a manifesto was issued in which these points were clearly emphasized. For the last two years, as actual facts show, the National Government, in its policy towards Japan, has constantly sought to confine all pending problems to proper, recognized channels of diplomacy so that just settlements could be reached.

The National Position

"Our people should understand our national position. We must realize our own position. As people of a weak nation we should evaluate justly the decree of our own strength. For the past few years we have bent all our efforts towards patient endeavours to ensure peace in the face of grave difficulties and grievous pain, so that we may achieve national reconstruction. For this reason in my report on foreign affairs at the Fifth Plenary Session the year before last, I stated that while there is the slightest hope for peace we will not abandon it; so long as we have not reached the limit of endurance we will not talk lightly of sacrifice; and the subsequent explanation at the Central Executive Session shows beyond cavil our anxiety to maintain peace.

"But although a weak country, if unfortunately we should have reached that last limit, then there is only one thing to do, that is to throw the last ounce of energy of our nation into the struggle for national existence. And when that is done neither time nor circumstance will permit our stopping midway to seek peace. We should realize that to seek peace after war has once begun means that the terms would be such that the subjugation of our nation and the complete annihilation of our race would be encompassed. Let our people realize to the full the meaning of the limit of endurance and the extent of sacrifice thereby for once that stage is reached we have to sacrifice and fight to the bitter end, though with always the expectancy of eventual victory. Should we hesitate, however, and vainly hope for temporary safety, then we shall perish forever.

Shadows Ahead

"2.—There may be people who imagine that the Lukouchiao incident was a sudden and unpremeditated step. But, already a month ago there were symptoms that an incident would ensue because of the statements from the other side, made both through their press, and directly and indirectly through diplomatic channels. Besides, before and after the incident we received news from various sources to the effect that the opposite side were aiming to expand the Tangku Agreement; enlarge the bogus "East Hopei Government;" drive out the 29th Army; force out General Sung Cheh-yuan, and try to impose similar other demands.

"From the above it can easily be seen that the Lukouchiao incident is not a sudden and accidental development. From this incident we must realize that the other side have a very definite purpose towards us and that peace is not to be easily secured. According to our reports the only way by which the Lukouchiao incident could have been avoided was to allow foreign armies to come and go freely within our territory without limitation while our own army must abide by imposed restrictions upon its movements, or to allow others to fire upon our soldiers and for us not to return fire.

"Any country in the world that has the least self-respect could not possibly accept such humiliation. The four North-eastern provinces have already been lost to us for six years; following that there was the Tanku Agreement, and now the point of conflict—Lukouchiao—has reached the very gates of Peiping. If we allow Lukouchiao to be occupied by force then the result will be that our ancient capital of 500 years, and the political, cultural and strategic centre of our entire North would be lost. The Peiping of to-day would then become a second Mukden; the Hopei and Charhar provinces would share

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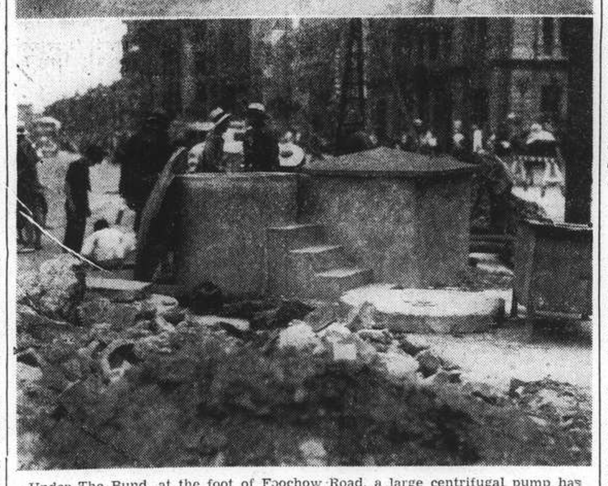
PUMP TO COMBAT FLOODS INSTALLED

"N.C.D.N." Photos.



Under The Bund, at the foot of Foochow Road, a large centrifugal pump has now been installed as part of the system to fight flooding of the central district at high tide and during typhoons. Above, P.W.D. workmen are putting finishing touches to the top of the device. The pump will be tested over the week-end. A two-foot sea-wall along The Bund also has been completed.

JAPANESE MILITARY THREATEN ACTION AT NOON TO-DAY

Chinese Troops in North Charged with "Illegal" Moves: Sporadic Firing Occurs Again

Tientsin, July 19.

UNLESS the Chinese troops immediately cease their "illegal actions", the Japanese Garrison in North China will be obliged to take "independent steps" beginning to-morrow at noon, it was officially announced here to-night.

The Japanese troops, it was pointed out, have maintained a "patient attitude" since the outbreak of the incident, on July 7. Messages received by the Garrison headquarters to-day, it was emphasized, reported several instances of Chinese firing upon Japanese positions.

Moreover, the Peace Preservation Corps, commanded by Gen. Shih Yu-san, is hastily building defences at Lukouchiao, maintaining close contact with the units of the Twenty-Ninth Army, on the western bank of the Yungting River.

"It is apparent," the communiqué said, "that the Twenty-Ninth Army is opposed to the agreement concluded between its leaders and the Japanese authorities on July 11. Further inaction on the Japanese part would place the Japanese forces in danger. The Japanese Army in North China can no longer remain patient. Therefore, unless the Chinese troops discontinue their illegal actions, independent steps will be taken beginning to-morrow at noon."—Domei.

Firing at Wanping

Peiping, July 19.

After four more days' respite, fighting was resumed in Wanping, the walled city near Lukouchiao (Marco Polo Bridge), yesterday afternoon, when brisk rifle fire was exchanged between members of the peace preservation corps garrisoning the city and Japanese troops south of the place.

Immediately after the outbreak, precautions were taken by both the Japanese and the Chinese to localize the fighting, which ceased after an hour.—Reuter.

Japanese Officer Wounded

Tientsin, July 19.

Captain Masayoshi Yamazaki was wounded on his thigh at 5 o'clock this afternoon, when Chinese troops entrenched at Lukouchiao reopened fire on a Japanese detachment.

The officer's condition was described as "very satisfactory."

Meanwhile, the Japanese military telephone line between here and Peiping was cut by persons unknown at 7 o'clock this evening. It is now being repaired.—Domei.

Clash at Hungchikou

Peiping, July 19.

The quiet campus of National Tsing Hua University early this morning reverberated with echoes of rifle firing as a clash occurred shortly after 1 o'clock at Hungchikou to the north of the university.

Information from local military circles reveals that scattered groups of plainclothes men swooped down on the western suburbs midway between Peiping and the Tangshan Hot Spring in the early hours bent upon creating disturbances.

Chinese troops were immediately rushed to the spot. After exchanges of fire for over an hour, the plainclothes men were dispersed.—Central News.

Bomb Found On Railway

Tientsin, July 19.

A plate layer on the Peiping-Mukden Railway discovered an unexploded bomb to-day, during patrols, on the track in the vicinity of Peitsang.—Reuter.

Peiping, July 19.

For unknown reasons Japanese artillery units at Tachingtsun, east of the walled city of Wanping, have been withdrawn. A part of the Japanese forces numbering about several hundred stationed at the aerodrome at Chaochitsun have also evacuated.

During the past three days, according to well informed circles, altogether 13 Japanese troop trains came from Manchuria, ten of which have reached Tientsin.

Escorted by 60 Japanese soldiers a fleet of 60 motor trucks laden with arms and ammunition left Yangtsun for Fengtai to-day. Upwards of 1,000 Japanese troops left Tientsin for Tungchow, bringing with them 80 machine guns, 20 field pieces and 60 motor trucks.

Six Japanese planes made reconnaissance flights over Lukouchia to-day. Later they flew in a southerly direction.—Central News.

Chinese Also Move

Peiping, July 19.

Gen. Chia Teh-yao, a member of the standing committee of the Hopei-Charhar Political Council, yesterday informed Major Takeo Imai, assistant Japanese military attache, that troops of the Twenty-Ninth Army in Peiping have been withdrawn to their orignal positions

This pledge found confirmation to-day in a marked decrease in the number of soldiers posted at important street intersections.

A Domei correspondent touring the city saw soldiers removing sandbag barricades from city walls in the Eastern and Western districts, which have a heavy Japanese population.

Five machine-gun posts, overlooking the eastern entrance to the Japanese Embassy, however, remained in position. The gates on roads leading to Nanyuan and Fengtai were also closed.—Domei.

Advance on Changhsientien

Peiping, July 19.

A large Chinese force was reported to-day by a Japanese flier to be advancing against Changhsientien, an important railway station on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, south of Fengtai. The force is believed to belong to the Thirty-Seventh Division, commanded by Gen. Feng Chih-an.—Domei.

Machinegun Fire Heard

Peiping, July 19.

Machinegun fire, lasting for a few minutes, was heard west of Peiping at 9.30 this evening. Chinese reports state that Japanese troops fired on the Chinese forces at Tachingtsun, but the Chinese did not reply.

The Japanese version of the firing is at present not available.—Reuter.

British Troops Return from Shanhaikuan

Hongkong, July 19.

British troops recently at Shanhaikuan, with the exception of one company, have been withdrawn to Tientsin, according to an announcement by military authorities here. Headquarters officers point out, however, that this action implies no fear of danger at either Tientsin or Shanhaikuan. The normal amount of army stores and equipment were left at Shanhaikuan.—United Press.

JEWRY LAMENTS FOR JERUSALEM AND PALESTINE

Jews Demonstrate Before The Wailing Wall

ANTWERP CEREMONY

Polish Zionists Join in Protest Action

Jerusalem, July 19.

Ten thousand Jews gathered on Saturday night before the Wailing Wall to commemorate the anniversary of the fall of Jerusalem in the year 70 A. D.

The demonstration was marked by perfect order despite efforts of a few agitators to stir the huge crowd up into a manifestation against the plan to partition Palestine, proposed by the British Government.

As a precautionary measure, the police had arrested several leading Zionist revisionists responsible for the publication of handbills and posters inciting the Jews to take direct action to resist the partition scheme.—Havas.

Belgian Jews Take Oath

Antwerp, July 19.

Before the statue of King Albert, Belgian Jews in Antwerp gathered yesterday to observe the 1,867th anniversary of the fall of Jerusalem and to register protest against the British plan to partition the Holy Land.

A parade wound through the main streets of the Jewish quarter, then came to a halt before the flower-decked statue. The speaker who led the meeting which ensued, asked all present to take the oath, "Rather than forget thee, Jerusalem, I will forget my right hand," and thousands of arms were uplifted as the pledge was repeated.—Havas.

Polish Jews Demonstrate

Warsaw, July 19.

Demonstrations in protest against the partitioning of Palestine, took place in the capital yesterday and in all the larger cities in the country as Polish Jews observed the anniversary of the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 A. D.

Here the demonstrations began in the morning with a great mass meeting in Muranowska Square, centre of the Jewish quarter. Revisionist Zionist leaders harrangued a crowd of several thousands, violently opposing the British Government and the Jewish organizations which have approved the plan for division.

A long procession, in which were outstanding detachments of the future Palestinian Legion in khaki uniforms with the Seal of David, paraded through the city. Mingling with the throng in Muranowska Square, the whole crowd broke into religious and patriotic hymns.

The traditional oath, with right hand and arm uplifted, was given, "If I forget thee, Oh Jerusalem, may my right arm be cut off and my tongue cleave to my palate." No untoward incidents were reported.—Havas.

Arab Headquarters Searched

Jerusalem, July 19.

Arab circles are protesting vigorously against the action of sixty policemen of the criminal investigation bureau, led by two departmental officers, who searched the offices of the Arab Grand Council.

The police are said to have cut the telephone line and then confiscated a large number of documents despite the resistance of those in the office. One member of the guard of the Grand Mufti was wounded in the affair. The search is believed to be in sequel to terrorist action in past months in northern Palestine.—Havas.

Arabs, Christians Protest

Haifa, July 19.

A protest against the partition of Palestine was sent to the High Commissioner and the Secretariat of the League of Nations by the Assembly of Arabs and Christians in the northern district.—Havas.

SABOTAGE IN INDIA DISASTER FEARED

Rails Found Turned Up Near Patna Train Wreck

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Patna, July 19.

Rescue parties were quickly on the scene of what has proved one of the worst railway accidents in India's history, occurring fifteen miles from here in the early hours of Saturday morning. The casualty list is now given as 107 killed, among them six women and one child, and 65 injured, all the victims being Indians. Earlier estimates had put the dead at 250.

The tragedy happened at about 4 a.m. when the Punjab Howrah Express, which had just left Patna on its way towards Calcutta, was entering Bihta Station. The engine leapt off the track at a culvert and plunged down the embankment, derailing seven third class carriages. By some miraculous circumstance the driver of the engine and two firemen escaped unhurt beyond a severe shaking and the first of the derailed coaches were likewise but slightly damaged. The next four coaches, however, were telescoped completely with tragic consequences to their occupants.

Sabotage is suspected as the cause of the disaster as it was found on investigation that rails near the scene had been turned up.

The Viceroy of India, the Marquess of Linlithgow, and the Secretary of State for India, the Marquess of Zetland, have telegraphed expressions of their sincere sympathy.—Reuter.

Dr. Wang Chung-hui, China's Foreign Minister.

Mr. Eden Tells Commons Peace Hopes in China

Assurances from Both Sides Promise Moderation

TROOP MOVEMENTS ARE ONLY PRECAUTIONARY

London, July 19.

The situation in the Far East continued confused and anxious, and was difficult to describe in precise terms, said the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, in the House of Commons to-day.

The causes and responsibility of the first clash, he declared, remained uncertain, and the course of the negotiations in progress locally were not fully known.

"None the less," Mr. Eden added, "all the indications encourage us to believe that the present situation, grave as its possibilities undoubtedly are, was not deliberately provoked by either Government."

Both the Chinese and Japanese governments had assured His Majesty's Government that they were anxious to avoid an extension of the trouble. Britain had expressed to both governments the earnest hope that the situation should not be aggravated and that a peaceful settlement might be possible.

M.M. Government had been assured that the movements of Chinese and Japanese troops was purely a precautionary and defensive measure, and that there is no intention whatever of starting hostilities.

Contacts with France, U.S.

H.M. Government had communicated to the other governments on the situation, and the American and French governments had both expressed their concern and the hope of a peaceful settlement.

"We do not believe," Mr. Eden continued, "that the interest of China and Japan need conflict. We have watched sympathetically during recent years the efforts which China has been making to develop her vast resources. At the same time we are not unmindful of the economic difficulties which Japan has had to encounter."

If it were permissable for H.M. Government to suggest a remedy, it would say a remedy should be sought only in a change of method in a real attempt at an understanding between the two countries to ensure a period of tranquility for an opportunity for peaceful trade in intercommunication.

As long as the uncertain situation in North China were allowed to continue, as long as a succession of incidents were patched up by local settlements of rather doubtful scope, the validity of the situation would remain charged with danger.—Reuter.

DECIMAL CURRENCY FOR AUSTRALIA

Royal Commission Findings on Central Bank Issued

Canberra, July 19.

The Royal Commission on Australian banking published its findings to-day. It suggests there should be no general change in policy and declares that it opposes nationalization.

The Commission advocates maintenance of a strong central bank for the regulation of the volume of credit and loans, the distribution of which should be left to privately owned banking.

The banks consider that the Commonwealth Bank should continue operations as at present, but should be given additional powers to enable it to carry on effectively.

The Commission recommends establishment of decimal coinage based on the division of the Australian pound into thousandths, limitation of the note issue and abolition of the note reserve, a new long-term exchange mobilization agreement between the Commonwealth Bank and the trading banks with regard to London funds.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI CHINESE GO TO THE POLLS

Ballots by registered Chinese in the election of Shanghai's 20 delegates to the National People's Congress were counted yesterday afternoon. Eight of the 20 will represent local residents; four, merchants; four, farmers, and four, labourers.

Early yesterday afternoon, the following four delegates were known to have been elected to represent the farmers: Mr. Yu Chun-hui, Mr. Ling Mei-yen, Mr. Ting Mu-tsen, and Mr. Ling Kon-hou. The names of other delegates were not available last night.

KING CAROL II LEAVES FRANCE FOR ENGLAND

Dover, July 19.

King Carol II of Rumania arrived here to-day for a short visit in Great Britain.—Havas.

MADRID SUBURB PULVERIZED TO MASS OF RUINS

Greatest Aerial Battle in History Reported

RELAYS OF BOMBERS

Nationalists Bringing Up Further Reserves

Madrid, July 19.

The biggest air battle in history was fought to-day on the north-west frontier of Madrid, when 160 'planes were in action for over an hour. The Government claims that eighteen Nationalist and four Republican machines were shot down.—Reuter.

Loyalists Claim Success

Madrid, July 18.

In what was believed to be the most extensive battle of the Spanish Civil War, for possession of the town of Brunette, Loyalists and Nationalists to-day suffered losses of 5,000 to 7,000 dead and wounded after ten hours of fighting.

An official Loyalist announcement said the Loyalist troops had repulsed the insurgent forces. A spokesman said the battle had been the deadliest and most costly of the war, with thousand of insurgents, dead and wounded, strewing the field for a radius of several miles of Brunette. Hundreds of ambulances toiled to recover the wounded in the midst of the battle. The roar of the fighting was clearly audible in Madrid, where residents were celebrating the first anniversary of the civil war.

More than 160 aeroplanes were engaged in the conflict, and at various times there were as many as 100 Nationalist bombing and fighting planes in the air at the same time.

The official announcement said the Loyalist troops had withstood the war's worst bombardment in the underground trenches of Brunette. Machine-guns were reported used in repulsing several battalions of Moors and foreigners, after which the Loyalist anti-tank corps halted Nationalist tanks off the Loyalists' outer lines. The Loyalist general staff believed the offensive constituted the insurgents' final thrust to attempt to retrieve lost ground.

Later to-day the Loyalist authorities issued a communiqué saying that 26 insurgent planes and one loyalist, plane had been brought down in the fighting over the city.

In an interview with the monarchist newspaper "A.B.C.," Gen. Francisco Franco, the Nationalist leader, to-day announced he had refused the request of the former King Alfonso's son, the Infante Juan Bourbon, to serve in the Nationalist army. "My responsibility is great. It is my duty not to imperil a life which might some day be precious to us." This strengthened the rumour that Gen. Franco plans the restoration of the Spanish monarchy.—United Press.

Nationalists Smash Through

Hendaye, July 18.

The Nationalists are reported to have resumed their offensive west of Madrid with a vengeance following a two-day clebration of the anniversary of the outbreak of the civil war.

Working in relays, 36 bombing 'planes, escorted by 112 fighters, are stated to have continuously attacked Government positions to-day at Villa Neuva, Del Pardillo and Brunete without resistance from Government aviation. Nationalists claim their infantry subsequently reached their local objectives without opposition, as the Governmen lines were untenable owing to the air attacks.

Preparations are being rushed in northern Spain for a big drive on the Santander and Asturian fronts, whither, according to press reports from San Sebastian, numerous troop trains are being despatched from Burgos, Vitoria and San Sebastian.

Gen. Quiepo de Llano, right-hand man of Gen. Francisco Franco, the Nationalist commander-in-chief, claimed in a broadcast to-day that 71 Government planes were shot down and twelve were captured after forced landings on the Madrid front between July 1 and July 16. He also claimed that, during the same period, 21 Government tanks were destroyed by artillery and nine others captured.

Salamanca was the scene to-day of impressive celebrations of the anniversary of the outbreak of the civil war. A church parade in the morning was followed by a march past and the unveiling of a tablet changing the name of one of the main streets of the city to General Franco Street. An inscription commemorating the national rising was also unveiled in the main square. The festivities concluded wtth a bull-fight, followed by a procession and a broadcast speech by Gen. Franco. All shops remained closed both yesterday and to-day in honour of the occasion.—Reuter.

Gen. Miaja Said Dismissed

Paris, July 19.

Gen. Jose Miaja, commander-in-chief of the Republican forces and civil governor of Madrid, has been dismissed by the Valencia Government, according to despatches received here, which add that Sr. Antonio Trigo-Mairal had been appointed to succeed him.—Trans-Ocean.

***Reports on anniversary, p. 14.

HINDENBURG FRAME-WORK SENT TO GERMANY

Hamburg, July 19.

Part of the duraluminium framework of the wrecked airship Hindenburg arrived here from New York on board the Hamburg America liner Hansa and will be forwarded by rail to the Zeppelin works at Frankfort.—Trans-Ocean.

"N.-C.D.N." CORONATION MEMORIAL FUND

Previously acknowledged ...	$102,935.54
"Donald" (2nd monthly cont.)	30.00
Members, Shanghai Municipal Police and Gaol Staff..	337.00
	$103,302.54

OPIUM-SUPPRESSION MEETING

Removal of Obstacles to Co-operation Discussed

SMOKING PERMITS TO BE ISSUED IN OCTOBER

Ways and means to remove the present obstacles in the way of co-operation between the Shanghai City Government and the Municipal Council in the matter of Government's opium suppression scheme in the Settlement were discussed at a meeting of Chinese responsible officials yesterday afternoon. As further discussions are necessary, details of yesterday's deliberations were not issued to the press.

The meeting was held in the headquarters of the Opium Suppression Committee in Mao Ka Loong, off the Nantao Bund. In addition to the seven members of the Committee, representatives from the Shanghai City Government and the Police Bureau were present. The seven committee members are: Mr. Wang Hsiao-lai, Mr. Tu Yueh-sung, Dr. F. C. Yen, Mr. Wang Ih-ting, Mr. Yu Ya-ching, Mr. Wang Po-chi and Mr. Yue Tso-ting. Mr. Chen Ling-yung, Director of the Shanghai Office of the National Opium Suppression Supervisor's Headquarters (Hankow), also attended.

Smoking Permits

Decision was, however, reached to enforce the rule in Chinese territory that beginning on October 1 opium will only be sold to those who can produce smoking permits, on which the quantity of opium may be carried is specified. A request will be made to the Opium Suppression Supervisor for the issuance of these permits.

Considerable importance was attached to this decision by the meeting. It was pointed out that opium is now being sold in Nantao and Chapei to anybody. Hence, it has become a good source of supply to smugglers. Addicts in the Settlement are believed to have been obtaining their supply from these shops. The importance of co-operation by the Settlement for the enforcement of the Government's suppression scheme was emphasized at the meeting.

Other topics touched on at the meeting included adverse newspaper criticisms. It was decided that the Bureau of Police of the Shanghai City Government be authorized to issue a statement on the suppression work.

Reply to Criticisms

An official who declined to be quoted told a representative of the "North-China Daily News" yesterday that the press comments against the Chinese opium suppression work were based on inaccurate and biased reports. That the suppression measures had been rigidly enforced in Chinese territory, he said was confirmed by the following figures obtained from authoritative sources: a total of 1,200 boxes of 1,000 ounces opium each was consumed per month in 1932-3; the number was reduced to 600 boxes per month in 1934-5, and this was further reduced to 300 boxes in the 1936-7 period.

While admitting the imposition of a 10 cents tax on an ounce of opium, the official said the action was authorized and the revenue has been set aside for opium suppression work, such as the establishment of a factory for cured addicts, so that the latter may obtain suitable work later on. There are many opium suppression organizations, he said, but they co-operate closely, contrary to current comments.

Regarding clinics, he said one may be found in Nantao, one in Chapei, and one in Lunghwa, in addition to private institutions. Each clinic is curing a total of 500 addicts a month. The Lunghwa clinic together with another institution in the same district for drug addicts are curing between 500 to 600 persons a month. According to statistics obtained from official sources, he said, 4,328 addicts were cured between July and December, 1935. In the year 1936, 11,513 persons were cured. Between January and April this year, 908 addicts were cured. These figures did not include those cured in private institutions.

NEW U.S. MARVELS IN WAR PLANES

Swift in Pursuit, Effective for Bombing

Washington, July 18.

The development of the most formidable fighting aeroplane in the world was revealed by the United States Army Air Corps to-day. Many military secrets guard the features of the plane's construction, but it was disclosed that the craft is a low-wing monoplane carrying a crew of five including a pilot, a co-pilot and navigator, a radio operator and gunner, and two outboard gunners. The craft is equipped with twin-motored pusher propellors permitting the wing gunners a free field to fire. The petrol tanks are in liquid-tight compartments in the wings, reducing the hazard of fire.

Army engineers credit the plane with the destructiveness of a bomber, the speed of a pursuit plane and the manœuvring ability of an attacking plane.—United Press.

PERSONAL NOTES

Mr. D. Bogomoloff, Soviet Ambassador to China, left for Nanking by train last night.

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Gen. Shang Chen, Chairman of the Honan provincial government, had left Kaifeng on Sunday night for Chengchow en route to Kuling to see Gen. Chiang Kai-shek, President of the Executive Yuan.

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Mr. T. V. Soong, a member of the Standing Committee of the National Economic Council, was elected Chairman of the Board of Directors at the first Directors and Supervisors Meeting of the Hankow Chi Tsi Hydraulic Power Co. held on Sunday. Messrs. Hu Pi-kiang, Li Fu-sun, Singloh Hsu and Ho Heng-fu were elected directors, and Mr. Pan Ming-sing, General Manager.

JEWISH CHILDREN GO INTO CAMP

90 to Spend Holiday at Univ. of Shanghai

Ninty excited girls and boys met at the Jewish School on Seymour Road early yesterday morning, marking the start of their summer camp, which is sponsored by the Jewish Youth Association, the venue of the camp being the campus of the University of Shanghai.

Early in the spring of last year, Boy Scouts of the 5th Troop under their acting group Scoutmaster E. J. Whitgob, decided upon the idea of staging a "good turn" summer camp in place of the customary troop camp, the good turn camp assisting those who were unable to attend the various other summer camps. Scouts readily assented to the idea, and with generous assistance from members of the community, the camp resulted in a complete success, the scouts playing host to forty children as well as eight youngsters from the St. Tichon's Orphanage. The efforts of the Scouts created greater interest amongst the community so that this year a Jewish Youth Association was formed in order to facilitate the large needs of the camp.

Mr. Horace Kadoorie, President of the Association, has rendered his untiring efforts towards the success of his camp. In a short speech to the campers, prior to their departure for the camp, Mr. Kadoorie remarked on the gratitude of the Association towards the University of Shanghai for their kindness in allowing the use of University for the camp. He emphasised the splendid work which Assistant Commissioner N. S. Jacobs had contributed for the welfare of the campers, and the further assistance in the girls sub-division of Mrs. M. B. Chaikin ant Miss D. Bloomfield, and closed by wishing them a really good time and thoroughly enjoy their holiday.

The camp itself is under the direct charge of Assistant Commissioner N. S. Jacobs, who is assisted by Mrs. M. B. Chaikin acting as deputy camp-chief. Miss Bloomfield is in charge of the girls division and Messrs. E. J. Whitgob and B. Slossman are looking after the boys. Visiting days for parents and friends have been set for Wednesday and Sunday afternoons from 3 to 7 p.m.

AMERICAN WOMAN IN NARCOTIC CASE

Mrs. Margaret F. Evers to be Tried Here

Brought from Hankow in the custody of Mr. Edward L. Faupel, U. S. Marshal, Mrs. Margaret Florence Evers, 48, American, is facing charges of having smuggled narcotics from Peiping to Anyang, Honan, by train on July 5 and 6.

The woman was arrested by the Chinese authorities on July 6, and, after having been held for investigation for five days, was turned over to the American authorities. Shortly after her arrival in Shanghai in the ss. Yulin yesterday, bail of U.S. $10,000 was fixed for her.

According to the Chinese officials, occupants of the Kuang Sheng Hospital in Anyang, where she stayed, became suspicious of her baggage and the Chinese Police were notified. On examination, two of her three bags were found to contain narcotics. In one bag were six packages of heroin, each weighing 25 ounces, and in another were 10 packages of narcotics.

Mrs. Evers was said to have told the police that the two bags belonged to one of her Chinese students named Cheng Chia-shun. When she left Peiping for Anyang for medical treatment, Cheng approached her and left the two bags in her compartment.

The American woman said she was born in San Francisco and came to Shanghai nine years ago as a private English teacher. Her husband died fourteen years ago.

In 1932, she left for Peiping, where she stayed at No. 2 Yang Yi Hutung, giving English lessons to Chinese students. She left Peiping for Anyang on July 5.

RAILWAY BOOM FOR CHINA FORECAST

"Far Eastern Survey" Hints Developments

Washington, July 18.

Political as well as economic motives inspired the flotation of nearly $100,000,000 worth of bonds to finance China's railways in recent years, it was asserted to-day by Dr. Chen Han-seng and Miss Miriam Farley in an article in the "Far Eastern Survey."

"Although the $750,000 credit recently extended by the Export-Import bank of the United States is insignificant in comparison with the huge sum already advanced by Great Britain, Germany, France, Belgium and Czechoslovakia, it may be the entering wedge in a Chinese railway boom which bids fair to rival that of the United States in the nineteenth century," the article asserted.

The "Far Eastern Survey" is published by the American Council of the Institute of Pacific Relations.—United Press.

SIR OSWALD MOSLEY HIT BY STONE

London Police Rescue Black Shirt Leader

Southampton, July 18.

Sir Oswald Mosley, Fascist leader, to-day addressed a crowd of 10,000 persons from the top of a sound-truck.

His speech was followed by a clash between his followers and left-wing elements, in the course of which a stone struck Sir Oswald in the face and cut him slightly.

Police intervened in the clash, commandered a street-car which they barricaded by seat cushions placed behind the windows, and rushed the Fascist leader and his supporters to safety.—United Press.

JEWISH BOYS GO INTO SUMMER CAMP

A party of 90 Jewish boys and girls left yesterday for a holiday camp at the University of Shanghai. These pictures show junior and senior campers among the boys.

FLOOD PROTECTION WORK FINISHED

New Pump to be Tried Out Over Week-end

PLAN COMPLETED IN RECORD TIME

The flood-protection system on The Bund has been completed by the Public Works Department and testing of the new pump installed near the foot of Foochow Road will start on Friday and will be continued over the week-end, it is understood.

A two-foot sea-wall is one of the defences against high water and this rampart has now been finished and will serve to minimize flood danger along the entire Bund.

Work started on June 10 and was rushed so as to complete the scheme in time for the start of the typhoon season. The sea-wall was built from the War Memorial north and extends the whole length of The Bund, except from Kiukiang Road to Peking Road where the now raised foreshore affords protection.

The pump is situated underneath The Bund near the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. It is an electrically-powered device able to pump about 3,000 gallons of water per minute by centrifugal force. The acid test for the pump would be a typhoon at high tide blowing the water up the Whangpoo River. It is hoped, through its use, to bring about conditions in the drains similar to those at low tide even when the tide is up. It is expected that the week-end's trials, at high tide, will provide an index to the utility of the installation in times of emergency.

MANCHOUKUO BANDITS KILL JAPANESE

One Major, One Captain, Six Soldiers Die in Fighting

Mukden, July 19.

Heavy casualties were sustained yesterday morning by a Japanese detachment in a hand-to-hand engagement with a bandit force at Tungsungmuling, 12 klms. south-east of Kaiyuan, in Fengtien Province, the Kwangtung Army announced here to-day. Japanese casualties were: killed, a major, a captain, and six soldiers; wounded, five soldiers. The losses of the bandits, who were said to number about 100, were described as "heavy."—Domei.

OBITUARY

Rev. Mr. J. J. Turner

Tientsin, July 19.

The death has occurred of the Rev. J. J. Turner, of the English Baptist Mission at Taiyuanfu, Shansi. Mr. Turner arrived in China in 1876.—Reuter.

Mr. Percy Gardner

London, July 19.

The death occurred to-day, at the age of 90, of Mr. Percy Gardiner, English classical archaeologist and numismatist.

Mr. Gardner was appointed assistant in the British Museum in 1871, held the post of Disney professor of archaeology at Cambridge from 1880 to 1887, and was professor of classical archaeology at Oxford from 1887 to 1925.

Among his numerous works were the "Parthian Coinage," "Samos and Samian Coins," "New Chapters in Greek History," "The Growth of Christianity," "Modernism in the English Church," "Exploration Evangelica," and "Autobiographica."—Reuter.

UNRECOGNIZED BRITON IN COURT

Ho Wing-tze, unrecognized British subject, faced three charges of office-breaking in the First District Court yesterday and was remanded till July 23. Ho was alleged to have entered office No. 501, Shanghai Power Co., Nanking Road, and to have stolen an electric Monroe calculating machine on July 10. The other charges concerned the theft of a typewriter from Room No. 253, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building, on June 18, and the theft of a leather satchel and other articles from Room No. 407, Glen Line Building, Peking Road, on June 30.

LOCAL SITUATION UNDER CONTROL

Public Bodies Devising Support Measures

AIR AND TRAIN TRAFFIC MAINTAINED

Depite the tension in the north, both the Japanese and Chinese authorities have the situation here well under control, according to information from official circles yesterday. Air and train traffic to the north was being maintained.

Chinese public bodies are urging Gen. Sung Cheh-yuan not to sign any agreement detrimental to China. The Chinese Chamber of Commerce has asked the Chairman of the Charhar and Hopei Political Council to clarify the present situation in the north.

In view of Gen. Sung's refusal to accept any comforts fund, local public organizations are planning to buy useful articles for the soldiers of the 29th Route Army. A joint meeting of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, the Civic Association, the Labour Union, the Agricultural Association, the Educational Institute and ten other organizations was held in the Chamber of Commerce building in the afternoon, when measures for the support of the northern troops were discussed.

The Chinese Government bond market remained weak. With the exception of the issue, Consolidated E, which dropped 15 cents for July delivery, all other issues registered a fall of 70 cents to $1.55.

Local Chinese flour merchants have decided to petition the Government to modify the recent order prohibiting the exportation of wheat flour from Shanghai, both abroad and otherwise. The enforcement of this order would result in the closing down of all flour factories here.

WOMAN KILLED WHEN VERANDAH FALLS

Three-Year Old Son Escapes Injuries Miraculously

A Chinese woman was killed, but her three-year old son miraculously escaped serious injuries yesterday morning, when both of them fell from a verandah which collapsed.

The accident occurred at No. 1, Lane 27, Si Ling Road, Old West Gate, at 8.30 a.m. The woman, Chow Sze-sze, aged 49, was carrying her child in her arms when the verandah on the top floor suddenly gave way.

It was reported that the building is old and the verandah was out of repair. The Chinese Police are investigating the case.

The husband, Chow Song-keng, a dealer in second-hand goods, was absent at the time of the accident.

CHINESE HELD ON ASSAULT CHARGE

Two Hawaiin-Born Youths Detained

Two Hawaiian-born Chinese are being held by the American authorities to face trial on assault charges. They are Stephen Yuk Fong Tyau, a visitor to Shanghai, and Clarence Kang Nay Kim, a St. John's University student.

It appeared that the two had celebrated Saturday night in a cabaret and on finding a chauffeur outside a taxi depot in Great Western Road, near Bubbling Well Road, they attacked him. A foreign sergeant who intervened was said to have also been attacked.

IRAN-IRAK DISPUTE ON BORDERS SETTLED

Teheran, July 19.

The border dispute of nearly three years standing between Iran and Iraq over the Chatelarab river was settled yesterday with a treaty of friendship, signed by the foreign ministers of both countries. The River, which Iraq claimed lay in her territory and Iran proposed dividing down the middle, is to remain open to the ships of both nations, both commercial and vessels of war. A further convention will be signed at a later date providing for the improvement its navigable channels.—Havas.

REINCARNATED DALAI LAMA FOUND?

Divine Revelation Produces Infant in Chinghai

TIBETAN AUTHORITIES MIGHT DEMUR

Another age-long mystery of the East has been solved. The reincarnation of the Dalai Lama, the priest-ruler of Tibet, who died in Lhassa two years ago at a ripe old age rarely attained by the occupants of this exalted but precarious position, is reported to have been found, and in the absence of political and other objections by the monastic hierarchy he will rule his millions from the stately Potala at Lhassa.

The former Dalai Lama was ruler of Tibet and head of the Yellow Lamas and according to custom his successor must be found within the land of the Yellow Lamas. According to a Shanghai newspaper, on his death bed the Dalai Lama announced that the reincarnation had already taken place in the pasture lands of Chinghai (Kokonor), and he described the facial features of the infant potentate, as well as the date and special circumstances of his birth for easier identification.

Lamas Search District

Beginning last year, it is reported, scores of Yellow Lama priests have been sent to various districts in Chinghai to find their child leader. They commenced their search in Antuho, Jihtsungkeh, Hami League and Kalkal, taking alms and giving Buddhist sermons on the way. Several months of travel however, failed to bring them to their goal, the reincarnated Dalai Lama. Some of the priests were so worried by their lack of success that upon their arrival in a new place, they kowtowed, repeated their Buddhist chants and prayed for immediate divine revelation as to the whereabouts of the coming Living Buddha.

It was not until they travelled another thousand miles that they arrived in a pasture land in Hashihba district in Chinghai, where in a rich family they found their reincarnated leader. The discovery, an infant hardly two years old, answered the description given by the late Dalai Lama.

Religious Objection

There is, however, according to the report, an objection to the infant being proclaimed the new ruler of Tibet on account of a discrepancy between the religious practices of the Hashihba people and those of Yellow Lamaism. Whether he will be acceptable as the head of the latter religion will have to be decided in Tibet. So far, the pilgrims have maintained a non-committal attitude and it will be only after their return to Tibet where the opinions of all interested parties will be sounded, that the question of whether to welcome or reject him can be settled.

In recent months there have been several reports of the discovery of the reincarnated Dalai Lama, including one report from Mongolia but this is the first which connects the successor to the supreme position which bers the required geographical and sectarial affiliation with the office.

WEDDING

Slater-Atter

With the religious ceremony performed two days ago, Miss Phyllis May Atter and Mr. Philip Edward Slater were married at the British Consulate-General yesterday morning at 11 o'clock in the presence of Mr. A. G. N. Ogden.

Mr. Slater is with the Methodist Missionary Society in Ningpo, and his bride arrived here from Leicester, England aboard the Kaiser-I-Hind a week ago Sunday. A church wedding took place in Ningpo on Saturday, the Rev. A. A. Conibear, of the Methodist Mission, officiating.

The couple leave to-day to spend their honeymoon in Kuling.

MANCHU CAVALRY ADVANCE INTO N. CHARHAR

Peiping, July 19.

According to Chinese reports received here to-day, four Manchurian cavalry brigades have been ordered to advance into North Charhar, which is under Manchoukuo control. The forces of one of the brigades have been distributed at Kuyuan and Taliangti, but the others, the reports add, are concentrating on the Charhar-Jehol border.—Reuter.

FOUR RUSSIANS MUST SERVE TERMS

Appeal in Firearms Case is Dismissed

The Second Branch Kiangsu High Court dismissed yesterday the appeal of four Russians, Anton Bourseff, Kousma Borodin, Mamikon Kardashiants, and Dimitry Pankoff, against prison terms imposed by the First District Court on the charge of being in possession of firearms.

The appellants were originally charged with making preparations between May and December last to commit a robbery at the Sungkiang branch of the Bank of China, but received prison terms ranging from a year to two years for possession of military firearms. Three other Russians were accused in the same case, but two of them received suspended sentences while the third died from natural causes after being sentenced.

SEIYUKAI LEADER AS "SPOKESMAN"

Mr. Hatoyama Will "Explain" Japan's N. China Stand

Kobe, July 19.

A self-appointed "private spokesman" for Japan, Mr. Ichiro Hatoyama, leading member of the Seiyukai, sailed from here this morning on a world tour, accompanied by Mr. Joji Hayashi, another Seiyukai member, and Mr. Michio Hatoyama, a nephew. The party is travelling to Europe in the ss. Potsdam.

Stating that his trip had been "a plan of long standing," Mr. Hatoyama revealed he had considered abandoning the tour because of the outbreak of the North China Incident, "but upon consideration, I realized that this was the very time for me to go abroad and sound foreign opinion."

"As I am well-acquainted with the circumstances leading up to the present difficulties, I feel I am qualified to serve my country in the capacity of a private spokesman in presenting our position in the affair."—Domei.

NEW S.M.C. DEBENTURES TAKEN UP

In regard to the issue of $9,000,000 debentures recently authorized by the Shanghai Municipal Council at the price of 99 per cent. and bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, the Treasurer and Controller reported that of this amount $3,000,000 was offered to the public on Monday, July 5 last and was immediately taken up, the list of applications being closed within five minutes after the opening.

The response to the offer of conversion made to the holders of debentures in the 6 per cent. loan of 1925 having been quite satisfactory, the total amount subscribed to the loan through public subscription and by way of conversion amounts to $8,880,600. The balance of $119,400 has been reserved for overseas holders of the 6 per cent. loan of 1925 who may exercise the option of conversion into 5 per cent. loan of 1937 up to August 7 next.

The issue included an allotment to depositors in the Municipal Investment Bank of $103,100.

ELECTRICAL FITTING SHOP SWEPT BY FLAMES

Three houses in Avenue Haig were damaged by fire yesterday morning. The flames started in an electrical fitting shop at 456 Avenue Haig (Chinese number), where the top floor and roof were badly damaged. The fire spread to the two adjoining houses, No. 454 and No. 458, whose roofs were scorched. No-one was injured.

Firemen from the Bubbling Well Station had the flames under control in a few minutes. They were able to leave the scene after 50 minutes.

CASE AGAINST CHINESE IN H.M. COURT

Brought up before Mr. C. H. Haines, Registrar, in H. M. Police Court on Monday, July 12, Ho Wing-tze again appeared in court yesterday to answer charges of larceny from the offices of the Shanghai Power Company. Ho was handed over yesterday to the Chinese authorities to be tried for the offence. He was brought up in the British court on the understanding that he was under British jurisdiction, being a Hongkong Chinese. It was shown yesterday, however, that he is answerable to the Chinese authorities.

Seven people were sightly injured in Surrey Street Market, Croydon, when a horse attached to a van slipped and crashed into a trader's stall.

DEATH

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NANKING PROTESTS AGAINST ATTACKS ON TRAINS

New Violation of Sovereignty and Provocation by Japanese Aeroplanes Charged

Nanking, July 19.

THE Foreign Office has lodged a protest with the Japanese Embassy here against alleged attacks made yesterday by Japanese military 'planes on trains at various points on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, which are stated to have caused more than 20 casualties. The flight of Japanese aeroplanes over Chinese territory, the protest points out, violates the sovereignty of China, while attacks on Chinese trains are even more provocative.

After demanding that the Japanese military authorities stop the "illegal activities of their army aeroplanes" and take steps to ensure that there be no repetition of such "outrages," the Note adds: "The Chinese Government holds Japan responsible for the consequences of the attacks and reserves the right to make legitimate demands."

"The first attack," according to an official communiqué, "occurred at 11.20 yesterday morning, when two Japanese 'planes machine-gunned a passing train at Changhochiao, in Honan, killing two passengers and wounding two others.

"Then, at noon, a south-bound passenger train from Paoting was attacked by Japanese aircraft at Kweachuantsan, in Hopei, causing over 10 casualties, while the third attack occurred at 12.30 p.m. near Yuanszehsien, in Hopei, when 10 persons aboard a passing train were killed and wounded."—Reuter.

Japanese Denial

Tientsin, July 19.

Japanese military authorities here to-day denied Chinese charges that a Japanese aeroplane had fired on passenger trains on the Peiping-Hankow railway.

They admitted, however, that Lieut. Iori Sakai, a military observer, had "returned the fire" from Chinese military trains in southern Hopei.

While flying over four military trains, moving north in the vicinity of Shunteh, about 350 kilometres south of Peiping, yesterday noon, Lt. Sakai said in his report, he saw puffs of white smoke rising from the ears.

Hearing no sound, he continued to circle at an altitude of about 700 metres. He then discovered that the wings of his machine were being peppered with shot and opened fire on the train.

The officer added that he saw a number of men fall off the train, but remarked that he was not certain whether they were hit by bullets or were seeking to escape his fire.

Over Yuanshin, about 50 kilometres further north, the Japanese officer declared, he was again fired upon from a moving train. Although the size of the smoke puffs appeared to be larger, he did not know whether machine-guns or anti-aircraft guns were used.

That the trains in the affrays were military convoys was "conclusively proved" by photographs showing that they carried men and horses and ammunition, the Japanese military headquarters here said.

Flights Not Illegal

The Chinese contention that flights of Japanese military aircraft over Chinese territory were illegal was also denied by Japanese military headquarters. Under the Tangku truce agreement of 1933, a military spokesman claimed, the Japanese had the right to observe Chinese military movements by means of aircraft.

With passenger and ordinary freight traffic at a standstill, the Peiping-Hankow railway's tracks in southern Hopei are congested with military trains, the Japanese military headquarters here said to-day on the basis of observation flights.—Domei.

Japanese Dissatisfied with Chinese Note

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Japanese Not Satisfied

Nanking, July 19.

The Chinese Aide Memoire may and may not constitute the Chinese reply to the Japanese memorandum of July 17, Mr. Hidaka revealed this evening.

Questioned by the Japanese chargé d'Affaires as to whether or not the aide-memoire constituted an answer to the Japanese memorandum, handed Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Chinese Foreign Minister, on Saturday, Mr. Tung Tao-ning of the Waichiaopu was quoted by Mr. Hidaka as having said:

"I do not know. I was only directed by Dr. Wang to deliver this aide-memoire."

Mr. Hidaka thereupon informed the Chinese official that he would accept the document, regarding it as a reply.

"But I added that if the Chinese Government had any additional communication to make, it would have to be done to-night," Mr. Hidaka told the Japanese press.

The Japanese official added that he had "warned" Mr. Tung that the situation had entered "a grave stage, where anything may happen."—Domei.

Tokyo, July 19.

The Tokyo "Nichi Nichi" reported here to-day that Nanking's reply to the Japanese note presented to the Chinese Foreign Office yesterday was unsatisfactory. Details of the reply were not disclosed. Japanese officials are still awaiting a formal reply, the newspaper reported.

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Koki Hirota, to-day reported to the Emperor on the North China situation.—United Press.

Lukouchiao Affair Not Settled

Peiping, July 19.

The belief that a virtual settlement of the Lukouchiao affair was reached in Tientsin yesterday afternoon has been dispelled, according to both Chinese and Japanese official sources this morning.

The Japanese stated that all that transpired during the meeting yesterday was that General Sung Cheh-yuan, Commander-in-Chief of the 29th Army and Chairman of the Hopei-Charhar Political Council, had apologized for the Lukouchiao incident.

The Chinese said that mutual regrets had been expressed.

Both sides admitted that the only other outcome of the interview was the decision of General Chang Tzu-chung, Mayor of Tientsin, and Major-General Hashimoto, Chief-of-Staff to the Japanese forces in North China, to continue negotiations for the fulfillment of the protocol of July 11.

A high Japanese official pointed out this morning that the document was couched only in general terms, the detailed application of which required further discussion. Hence even a verbal acknowledgement, if given, could hardly be considered a tangible and effective agreement.

Withdrawal Insisted On

Apart from the question of interpretation of the clause regarding anti-Japanese agitation, it is understood on the most reliable authority, that Japanese military officials insist that the withdrawal of Chinese troops from the Wanping area must include the removal of the 29th Army garrison in Peiping as well as the retirement of the 37th division considerably further south.

Moreover, the clause relating to the punishment of those responsible for the incident is capable of being extended to the highest officials of the Hopei-Charhar Political Council, most of whom are concurrently 29th Army commanders.

Competent foreign observers thus recognize that the protocol could cover a multitude of demands of the widest scope.

The Japanese scouting 'plane which fired on a train in southern Hopei yesterday, it is stated, discharged 150 rounds. The Japanese statement admits that there may have been civilians aboard the train as well as soldiers.

It adds, however, that information regarding the two other alleged incidents are lacking.—Reuter.

Tokyo's Original Terms

Tokyo, July 19.

The foreign press spokesman of the Japanese Government to-day categorically denied a report that Japan wanted to control all China north of the Yellow River in connection with the settlement of the Lukouchiao incident.

"The local settlement, already signed on July 11 and whose fulfilment by China is earnestly hoped by Japan, comprises," he said, "nothing more or less than (1) an apology for the incident, (2) punishment of those responsible, and (3) a future guarantee, which includes the control of anti-Japanese agitation."

Meanwhile, the expression of regret for the Lukouchiao incident tendered in Tientsin yesterday afternoon by General Sung Cheh-yuan, Chairman of the Hopei-Charhar Political Council and Commander-in-Chief of the 29th Army, to Lieutenant-General Katsuki, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese forces in North China, does not satisfy Japanese official circles.

Four objections are raised:— 1. It was merely an oral expression of regret. 2. General Feng Chih-an, Commander of the 37th Division which was directly involved in the incident, has made no apology. 3. Other terms of the agreement of July 11, including punishment of those responsible for the incident and future guarantees, have not yet been fulfilled. 4. The Lukouchiao incident was not accidental, "but the inevitable outcome of the anti-Japanese agitation carried on by the Nanking Government for many years."

Both Foreign and War Office circles declare that it is necessary to maintain a vigilant watch to ensure full observance by China of the terms of the agreement of July 11.

The spokesman of the Foreign Office said to-day that there was no change in Japan's policy regarding the localizing of the Lukouchiao incident, but if the Chinese Government persisted in "interfering with local negotiations at Peiping or Tientsin, or continued to send Central Government troops to North China," the matter would be treated differently.

The Japanese Government, he declared, was as anxious as the Chinese Government for an amicable settlement, but feared that the Ho-Umetsu Agreement of 1935 had already been violated.

A stronger complaint over violation of the agreement by China was voiced by Japanese military circles, who pointed out that a Japanese military 'plane engaged in observing the movements of Chinese troops, was subjected to fire on July 18 while flying over Shunteh, in Hopei province.

Futhermore, they added, the advance of Chinese troops into Hopei steadily continued. For instance, they alleged, three freight trains fully loaded with munitions had passed Shunteh; another troop train had passed Fengtsun, 40 kilometres north of Shunteh, and two troop trains had moved as far North as Shunteh.

Meanwhile, according to information from official Japanese sources, Chinese troops are strengthening defence works at the eastern approach to Lukouchiao and Papaoshan, six kilometres north of Lukouchiao, and also at Yamenkou, west of Papaoshan.

A Japanese message from Peiping reports that the 29th Army is strengthening its defence works in Peiping, especially in those places dominating the Legation Quarter and the Tungchen district, where the Japanese residents are concentrated, "thus causing unrest in the Japanese colony."—Reuter.

PROF. PICCARD'S GONDOLA BURNS

Stratosphere Ascent Fails Through Mishap

Lansing, Iowa, July 1.

Prof. Jean Piccard, noted explorer of the upper air, landed in wooded hills near here at 6 o'clock this morning. He had taken off in his multiple-balloon apparatus the day before at Rochester, Minn.

Prof. Piccard did not discuss his rough landing, but it was apparent that the release mechanism of the craft failed to work, and that he had been forced to explode several of his balloons with a revolver to make a landing. One of the balloons caught fire and destroyed the gondola and its equipment.

Prof. Piccard said, however, "I learned much. I believe that a flight using 2,000 balloons is feasible."

The flight to-day, was belived to be the first in which the principle of harnessed multiple balloons was employed.

Prof. Piccard, whose hands and face were scratched during the precipitous descent, said he believed a second preliminary flight should be made before a record flight is attempted.

He had expected the cluster-balloon arrangement to aid him, particularly in landing. They were to be released, one at a time or in groups, depending on the speed of descent.—United Press.

JAPANESE TROOPS POURING IN

Large Contingents Come Through Great Wall

Tientsin, July 19.

Japanese troops continue to pour into China Proper through Shanhaikuan, where the Great Wall runs to the sea. Numerous detachments are being accommodated at Tongshan, between Shanhaikuan and Tientsin. It is estimated that 3,500 troops have arrived in the last 24 hours.

The Japanese wharfage company at Tangku, the port of Tientsin, has been instructed by the Japanese military authorities to remove 7,000 tons of coal from the wharf by July 22.

The company has also been instructed to hold all its lighters in readiness for the Japanese military at a moment's notice, presumably for the transport of Japanese troops expected by sea.—Reuter.

SUNG'S INTERVIEW "PURELY SOCIAL"

Political Matters Not Talked Over with Gen. Katsuki

Tientsin, July 19.

The interview between Gen. Sung Cheh-yuan, Chairman of the Hopei-Charhar Political Council, and Lieut-Gen. Katsuki, the new Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Garrison in North China, yesterday afternoon was only of a social nature, a high official stated to-day.

It was explained that the two had not yet met since the arrival of Lieut-Gen. Katsuki, and yesterday's meeting was just an ordinary courtesy interview. During their interview, the official said, no political questions were discussed.—Central News.

Gen. Sung in Peiping

Peiping, July 19.

Immediately after arrival here from Tientsin this morning, Gen. Sung Cheh-yuan plunged into a conference with high Chinese officials in Peiping at his private residence.

The officials, including Gen. Chin Teh-chun, Mayor of Peiping, reported to Gen. Sung the detailed circumstances of the Lukouchiao incident and also received instructions for coping with the situation.

Gen. Sung who arrived in Tientsin early last week from Loling, his native town on the Shantung-Hopei border, returned to Peiping at 9.40 o'clock this morning, being greeted at the station by many local high officials.

The station was heavily guarded when the train pulled in.—Central News.

ATTEMPT TO CENSOR MAILS IN NORTH

Japanese Visit Post Office in Tientsin

Tientsin, July 19.

The institution of censorship by the Japanese authorities at the Central Post-office, which is situated in the former Russian Concession, was officially admitted to-day.

The consular body will meet tomorrow, it is understood, to formulate a protest against Japanese censorship of the mails.

All outgoing and incoming mail in other Chinese provinces, it is understood, is subject to censorship, while the presence of a White Russian censor implies that the mails to the Soviet Union are being similarly treated. Meanwhile, the airmail service to Tientsin from Shanghai has been suspended indefinitely.—Reuter.

A uniformed Japanese gendarme and three others in mufti, these reports state, visited the Central Post Office yesterday, demanding accommodation.

The Acting Postal Commissioner, Mr. Hwang Chia-teh, proceeded to the office when notified of the Japanese request, and discussed the matter with the visitors for an hour.

While the discussions were in progress, two other Japanese and five Chinese are said to have appeared and proceeded to the sorters' room, where they remained until nine o'clock in the night. They did not touch the mails.

The Postal authorities here are now awaiting instructions from the Director-General in Shanghai, to whom the matter has been referred.

The Shanghai correspondent of the "Shun Pao," one of the largest Chinese newspapers in China, was arrested by Japanese gendarmes in his residence in the former Austrian Concession to-day and, according to reports, taken to the Japanese barracks.—Reuter.

TSINGTAO JAPANESE PREPARE

Refuges for Nationals in Case of Emergency

Tsingtao, July 19.

Eight refuges, where Japanese residents will be rushed in case of emergency, were designated by the Japanese Residents' Corporation to-day.

Meantime, preparations were also completed to house 700 Japanese women and children from Tsinan. More than 300 refugees from Tsinan and points along the Kioatsi railway have already arrived here.

Uneasiness among local Japanese increased to-day with reports that Salt Revenue Guards stationed in Shantung were assuming an increasingly anti-Japanese attitude.

The attention of Gen. Shen Hung-lieh, mayor of Tsingtao, was drawn to this development by Mr. Shojiro Ohtaka, Japanese Consul-General, in an interview yesterday.

Admiral Shen, it was learned on good authority, said he was powerless to take any action regarding the Salt Revenue Guards because the latter received their orders from the Ministry of Finance.

The Chinese official, however, is understood to have assured Mr. Ohtaka that all steps to maintain peace and order in Tsingtao would be taken.—Domei.

BRITAIN ASKED NOT TO INTERVENE

Japanese Rightists Send Letter to Embassy

Tokyo, July 19.

Great Britain is requested not to intervene in the situation in North China in a letter handed by the ultra-rightist Japan Production Party, an affiliate of the Black Dragon Society, to the British Embassy yesterday afternoon for transit to the British Government.

Japan's action in North China, the letter states, is based solely on self-defence, and the Party is strongly opposed to any measures by Britain for intervention.—Reuter.

NINE POWER PACT NOT INVOKED

Commons Told No Meeting of Signatories Planned

London, July 19.

The Far Eastern crisis came up in the House of Commons this afternoon when Mr. Arthur Henderson, Labour member for the Kingswinford division of Staffordshire, asked whether it was proposed to convene a meeting of the signatories of the Nine Power Treaty to endeavour to reach a settlement of the "constant friction between China and Japan."

In reply, Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, said that no such proposal was being considered.—Reuter.

INTERNATIONAL LAW CONGRESS OPENS

Paris, July 19.

With 550 delegates from 26 nations taking part, the International Law Congress opened this morning in the presence of the French President, M. Albert Lebrun, with M. Maurice Viollette, Minister of State, in the chair.—Havas.

China's Stand Over Northern Crisis Defined

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the fate of the four North-eastern provinces.

Is the Limit Reached?

"If Peiping could become a second Mukden, what is there to prevent Nanking from becoming a second Peiping? The safety of Lukouchiao therefore is a problem involving the existence of the nation as a whole, and whether it can be amicably settled comes within the comprehension of our term 'the limit of endurance. If finally we reach the stage where it is impossible to avoid the inevitable then we cannot do otherwise than resist and be prepared for the supreme sacrifice. This resistance is forced upon us, we are not seeking war, we are meeting attacks upon our existence.

"Our people must realize that today the Central Government is in the midst of preparing measures to defend ourselves. Weak nation as we are, we cannot neglect to uphold the integrity of our race and ensure the very existence of our nation. It is impossible for us not to safeguard to our utmost the heritage of our forefathers, a duty which we must fulfill to the utmost. Let us realize, however, that once war has begun there is no looking backward, we must fight to the bitter end. If we allow one inch more of our territory to be lost then we would be guilty of committing an unpardonable offence against our race. What would be left to us other than to throw every resource of our nation into a struggle for final victory?

Decision to Japan

"3.—At this solemn moment Japan will have to decide whether the Lukouchiao incident will result in a major war between China and Japan. Whether or not there is the least vestige of any hope for peace between China and Japan depends upon the action of the Japanese army. Even at the very last second before we abandon all hope of peace we would still be hoping for peace, we would still be seeking a solution through proper diplomatic channels.

The following four points will clearly show what our stand on this issue is:

"(1).—Any kind of settlement must not infringe upon the territorial integrity and the sovereign rights of our nation.

"(2).—The status of the Hopei-Charhar Political Council is fixed by the Central Government; we should not allow any illegal alteration.

"(3).—We will not agree to the removal by ontside pressure of those local officials appointed by the Central Government, such as the Chairman of the Hopei-Charhar Political Council.

"(4).—We will not allow any restriction being placed upon the positions now held by the 29th Army.

Minimum Conditions

"These four points constitute the minimum conditions possible as a basis for negotiation for any nation, no matter how weak it may be. And if the opposite side will place herself in our position and have due regard for maintaining peace in the Far East and does not desire to force China and Japan into hostilities and to make them enemies for ever they will realize that these conditions are the minimum that can be considered.

"To sum up, during the Lukouchiao crisis the Central Government, in ensuring the very existence of our nation, has taken a clear, unequivocal stand. But let us realize we are one nation. We seek for peace, but we do not seek for peace at any cost. We do not want war but we may be forced to defend ourselves. During this grave crisis the Government may be counted upon to guide the nation with calmness and restraint, the people likewise must show sobriety and discipline. In discharging our obligations to our race let there be no distinction between North and South, age or youth, but let all implicitly and with iron discipline follow the guidance of the Government.

"I hope you gentlemen will explain what I have said to all those you meet so that they will understand the situation and appreciate our policy."—Kuo Min.

King George VI will visit France this autumn to unveil a memorial to Australian war dead in the neighbourhood of Amiens, according to "Le Jour."—Trans-Ocean.

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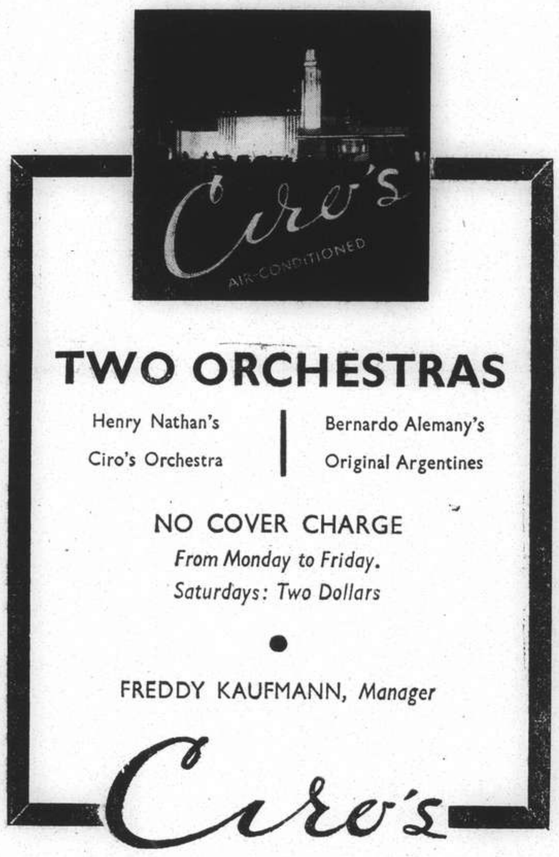

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Positions Still Unchanged: Yankees' Margin Down by Half a Game: Full Details

New York, July 18.

BY a slim margin of one-half game, the Chicago Cubs clung to the leadership of the National League to-day. They beat the Brooklyn Dodgers in both games of a doubleheader, but they needed the two victories, as the second-place New York Giants won twice from the St. Louis Cardinals. As a result of to-day's contests the Cubs stayed three points ahead of the Giants, while the New Yorkers increased their lead over St. Louis to seven and one-half games or 93 points. The Pittsburgh Pirates, by taking one of two games from Philadelphia, pulled into a tie with the Cardinals for third place.

In the American League the New York Yankees won from the Cleveland Indians, but their lead was cut from six and one-half to six games, as the runner-up Chicago White Sox won twice from Boston. The Sox also increased their lead over Detroit to one full game, as the Tigers saw action in only one game to-day, which they won from Washington.

In winning their first game from Brooklyn, the Cubs sent the formidable Van Lingle Mungo, ace Dodger hurler, to the showers by scoring three runs in the first inning. For the remainder of the game the hitting was even, each team getting twelve safeties, but the Cubs finally won by a 7-6 count. Augie Galan and Jimmie O'Dea got home runs for the winners.

In the night-cap the Cubs collected five runs in the sixth inning to put the game on ice. The score was 9-4. Galan got another homer.

New York's Victories

Jo-jo Moore of the New York Giants drove a hard single in the seventh inning of the first New York-St. Louis encounter, and scored Lou Chiozza with the winning run of the game. The score was 6-5, with the Giant screw-ball artist, Carl Hubbell, pitching nine-hit ball and getting credit for the victory. New York won in spite of three errors while the Cards fielded cleanly.

In the nightcap the Giants ran riot in the fifth inning and scored six runs. Hal Schumacher, who hurled the Giants to an 11-0 shut-out, helped win his own ball game with a home run. Sam Leslie and Ike Danning, his team-mates, also got four-base hits. Schumacher allowed nine hits, while the Giants got sixteen off Lon Warneke and Joe White.

Philadelphia triumphed over Pittsburgh in the opening game at the Quaker City by a 5-2 score. Claude Passeau let the Pirates down with six hits. Errors marred the game, the Pirates being charged with two and the Phils with three. The Phils put the game in the bat with three runs in the second inning. The night-cap lasted eleven innings before the Pirates won, 6-5. Forrest Jensen's fly in the first half of the eleventh inning scored Lloyd Waner with the winning tally.

Two runs in the first inning gave the Cincinnati Reds a lead over Boston which they never relinquished in their first game. The final score was 4-1, with "Peaches" Davis holding the Bees to five hits. In the nightcap, the Reds scored one run on a triple and a single, but it was enough to win, 1-0. Lee Grisson allowed only two hits.

Yankees Win

A home run by Joe DiMaggio, with the bases loaded, proved the margin of victory for the Yankees over the Indians. The final score was 5-1, in spite of the fact that the winners got only seven hits off Bob Feller, while the losers collected eight from Red Ruffing.

Mickey Cochrane, who has been out of action for two months as a result of being struck on the head by a pitched ball, returned to the sidelines to-day to give his Detroit Tigers encouragement. The Tigers responded to the inspiration and trimmed Washington, 3-1, although Senator errors had much to do with the victory. Three runs in the first inning gave the Tigers their lead. Al Simmons, former Detroiter, cracked out a home run against his old team-mates. Monte Weaver and Ed Linke, hurling for Washington, allowed only two hits, while Jake Wade and Roxie Lawson of the Tigers were nicked for six.

Two hits in the tenth inning netted the White Sox one run which broke a 5-5 tie and gave them a 6-5 win over the Boston Red Sox. Jimmy Foxx poled out a futile home run for the Bostonians. In the second game Fabian Gaffke of the Red Sox fumbled Dixie Walker's single which permitted Mike Kreevich to score and gave the Cubs a 1-0 win. Monty Stratton held the Red Sox to three hits.

The Browns scored three times in the fifth inning and took a lead over Philadelphia which they held thereafter. The final score was 10-6, although the losers out-hit the winners, 12-11. In the nightcap Peters' home run, with the bases empty, gave the Athletics the run they needed to beat the Browns, 7-6. The losers were guilty of three errors.

Detailed Scores

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	2	6	2
Philadelphia	5	13	3
(first game)			
Batteries: Lucas, Weaver, Bauers and Todd; Passeau and Grace.			
Pittsburgh	6	14	0
Philadelphia	5	12	2
(second game—11 innings)			
Batteries: Brandt, Bauers, and Padden, Todd; LaMaster, Jorgens, Mulcahy and Atwood.			
Cincinnati	4	7	0
Boston	1	5	1
(first game)			
Batteries: R. Davis and Lombardi; Gabler, Hutchinson and Lopez.			
Cincinnati	1	6	0
Boston	0	2	1
(second game)			
Batteries: Grissom and V. Davis; Turner and Lopez, Mueller.			
Chicago	7	12	1
Brooklyn	6	12	0
(first game)			
Batteries: Parmelee, Shoun, Root and O'Dea; Mungo, Henshaw and Phelps.			
Chicago	9	14	1
Brooklyn	4	12	1
(second game)			
Batteries: Davis and Hartnett; Frankhouse, Hoyt, Jeffcoat and Phelps, Chervinko.			
St. Louis	5	9	0
New York	6	11	3
(first game)			
Batteries: Harrell, White, Ryba and Owen; Hubbell and Danning.			
St. Louis	0	9	2
New York	11	16	1
(second game)			
Batteries: Warneke, White, and Owen, Ogrodowski; Schumacher and Danning.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York	5	7	1
Cleveland	1	8	1
Batteries: Ruffing and Dickey; Feller and Pytlak.			
Washington	1	6	3
Detroit	3	2	1
Batteries: Weaver, Linke and R. Ferrell; Wade, Lawson and Hayworth.			
Boston	5	9	1
Chicago	6	12	0
(first game—10 innings)			
Batteries: Newsom, Ostermueller and Desautels, Berg; Lyons, Brown and Sewell.			
Boston	0	3	1
Chicago	1	5	0
(second game)			
Batteries: McKain and Berg; Stratton and Shea.			
Philadelphia	6	12	1
St. Louis	10	11	0
(first game)			
Batteries: Kelley, Turbeville, Fink and Conroy; Walkup and Hemsley.			
Philadelphia	7	11	0
St. Louis	6	11	2
(second game)			
Batteries: Ross, Kelley and Brucker; Bonnetti, Hogsett, Knott, Trotter, and Huffman, Hemsley.			

Team Standings

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Chicago	49	29	.628
New York	50	30	.625
St. Louis	41	36	.532
Pittsburgh	41	36	.532
Boston	36	43	.456
Brooklyn	32	43	.427
Cincinnati	31	44	.413
Philadelphia	31	50	.383

AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York	51	23	.689
Chicago	48	32	.600
Detroit	45	31	.592
Boston	42	32	.568
Cleveland	37	36	.507
Washington	30	43	.411
St. Louis	25	50	.333
Philadelphia	22	53	.293

—United Press.

U.S. Takes Lead in Davis Cup

London, July 19.

The United States to-day took the lead against Germany in the inter-zone final of the Davis Cup when Donald Budge and Gene Mako beat Baron von Cramm and Henner Henkel in the doubles. The Americans won by 4-6, 7-5, 8-6, 6-4.

America will have to win one of the two remaining singles to enter the Challenge Round, as she is now ahead by two matches to one. In the opening singles on Saturday von Cramm beat Bitsy Grant by 6-3, 6-4, 6-2, while Budge defeated Henkel by 6-2, 6-1, 6-3.—Reuter.

SAN DIEGO CLING TO NEW LEAD

Senators Falter in Second Game with Angels

PACIFIC COAST BASEBALL FIXTURES

San Francisco, July 18.

Splitting a double-header with the Missions, the San Diego team retained its newly-won leadership of the Pacific Coast baseball league by a narrow margin to-day.

The Padres remained at the top of the loop by one-half game only because the second-place Sacramento Senators faltered and won only one of their two games with Los Angeles. The San Francisco Senators, in third place, took a double beating from Portland and dropped three games behind the Senators.

The Missions and San Diego hit on even terms in their first game at the southern city to-day. The Missions miscued three times to twice for the Padres but nevertheless managed to win by a 9-6 count. In the night-cap the San Diegans shut out their opponents, 1-0, in spite of getting only four hits to the Missions' seven.

Sacramento started off well enough by humbling the Angels, 9-2, getting a dozen hits to the visitors' seven, and playing errorless ball while the Angels bobbled once. In the second tilt, however, the Sacs committed five errors in seven innings, and bowed to the Angels, 3-4.

The Beavers won with ease from the Seals, taking the first game, 9-4, and the second by an 8-4 margin. Oakland scalped the Indians in their first encounter to-day, 12-4. In the second game, although outhit, twelve safeties to eight, the Oaks again triumphed, 5-2. Each team fumbled three times.

Portland's double victory put the team in fourth place, dislodging the Los Angeles nine.

Detailed Scores

	R.	H.	E.
Portland	9	15	1
San Francisco	4	11	2
(first game)			
Portland	8	12	1
San Francisco	4	12	1
(second game)			
Seattle	4	12	2
Oakland	12	13	1
(first game)			
Seattle	2	12	3
Oakland	5	8	3
(second game)			
Los Angeles	2	7	1
Sacramento	9	12	0
(first game)			
Los Angeles	4	8	1
Sacramento	3	8	5
(second game)			
Missions	9	11	3
San Diego	6	11	2
(first game)			
Missions	0	7	0
San Diego	1	4	0
(second game)			

Team Standings

	Won	Lost	Pct.
San Diego	67	46	.593
Sacramento	65	45	.591
San Francisco	62	48	.564
Portland	57	52	.523
Los Angeles	57	53	.518
Seattle	49	61	.445
Oakland	47	65	.420
Missions	39	72	.351

—United Press.

SHOT-PUT RECORD AMAZING

Consistency of Sam Francis During Season

Lincoln, Neb., July 18.

Sam Francis' consistency in hurling the 16-pound shot beyond 51 feet this season is considered by Henry F. Schulte, Coach of the University of Nebraska, as one of the most remarkable feats in the history of track and field.

The All-America full-back uses the same left arm that hurled accurate passes as a member of the Cornhusker football team last fall.—United Press.

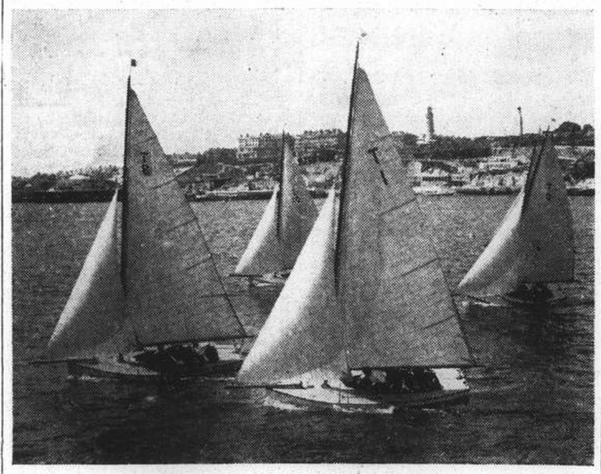
COUNTY TENNIS RESULTS

The following are the County open men's tennis singles 4th round results.

Carson beat P. Y. Tong 6-4, 3-6, 8-6.
T. C. Chang beat S. K. Hu 6-2, 6-2.
Forbes beat R. Ma 6-3, 10-8.
Squires beat Collaco 6-1, 5-7, 6-1.

The semi-final will be played on Thursday, July 22, Carson vs. T. C. Chang at 4 p.m., Forbes vs. Squires at 5 p.m.

COUNTY DOUBLES, TO-DAY'S MATCHES
4 p.m., Tsai and Wei vs. Li and Hu, at 5.30 p.m., Du Pac de Marsoulies and Avery vs. Green and Bridges.



WHITE SAILS ON PLYMOUTH WATERS

Yachts of the Troy Class are shown above in one of the races of the Plymouth Regatta last month. The famous Hoe can be seen clearly in the background.

Second World's Record in One Week

Dallas, Texas, July 18.

John Woodruff, young Pittsburgh track star, shattered the world record for the 800 mètres run to-day when he did the distance in 1 min. 47-8/10 seconds. The new time is nearly two seconds better than that of Elroy Robinson, who was clocked at 1 min. 49-7/10 seconds last week when improving on the half-mile record.

Woodruff, wearing the colours of the United States, won the 800 metres in the last Olympic Games in Berlin, being timed at 1 min 52-9/10 seconds. He came home yards ahead of Mario Lanzi, of Italy and Phil Edwards, of Canada, second and third respectively.—Reuter.

IMPORTANT WATER POLO MATCH TO-NIGHT

This evening at 9 p.m. the outstanding match in the first round of the water polo league will be held, the Foreign Y.M.C.A. Porpoises meeting the Rowing Club Strokeside team to decide which will lead in the standings at the end of the first round. Both teams have been undefeated to date and both have shown particularly good form, the Y.M.C.A. being slightly favoured in view of their speed and because they are playing in their own pool. The other two games to-day are at 6 p.m., the Bowside team meeting the Walruses at the Rowing Club, and the A.S.F. playing Shaforce at the former's pool.

EILEEN WINS THREE WEEK-END RACES

"C" Class Triumph in Stiff Sailing Winds

Eileen, sailed by John Berents, won all three of the races sailed in "C" class by the Shanghai Yacht Club at Minghong on the week-end, thereby achieving a notable triumph in view of the strong prevailing winds which called for considerable good helmsmanship. Sun Lee (K. F. Piper) took second place in Sunday's Second Minghong Series (championship), while Orion was third, it being coincidental that these three yachts finished in this order in both the races on Sunday.

Catharine led for the earlier part of Saturday's Corinthian Seamanship race, but Eileen, despite missing the lifebuoy which she had to throw overboard and pick up, was able to come through ahead to win, Star of Eve being baulked of her opportunity when Orion sailed between her and her objective.

Star of Eve led in yesterday morning's contest, but was passed by Sun Lee and later by Eileen, but not until after the latter had to fight a long duel to windward. Sun Lee meantime had gained a good lead, but a bad gust of wind put her down to leeward and Eileen went up to windward and eventually finished ahead.

Shimurali and Sun Lee led over the line in the afternoon's race, with Eileen further down to lee but more in the tide, so that the latter went ahead and eventually won.

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Detailed Results

"C" CLASS CORINTHIAN SEAMANSHIP RACE

	Elapsed time.
Eileen (J. Berents)	40.00
Catharine (H. R. O. Edmonds)	40.45
Orion (O. Hermanns)	41.12
Star of Eve (Miss D. Rogers)	42.12
Zuleika (J. C. Clavering)	disqualified

"C" CLASS, SECOND MINGHONG SERIES (CHAMPIONSHIP)

1ST RACE

Eileen (J. Berents)	55.00
Sun Lee (K. F. Piper)	55.55
Orion (O. Hermanns)	56.28
Star of Eve (Miss E. Hawkings)	56.40
Catharine (H. R. O. Edmonds)	59.28
Lady Anne (H. K. Watkins)	59.34
Leda (R. Lock)	1.00.17
Mignonette (Col. F. R. W. Graham)	1.00.32
Daphne (D. Webb)	1.02.50
Bridget (P. Mann)	1.05.20

Shimurali (N. J. Stabb) disqualified.
Zuleika (J. C. Clavering) withdrew.
Yankee (F. H. E. Skyrme), Polaris (O. D. Terrill) did not finish.

2ND RACE

Eileen (J. Berents)	48.40
Sun Lee (K. F. Piper)	50.46
Orion (O. Hermanns)	51.07
Shimurali (N. J. Stabb)	52.10
Mignonette (Col. F. R. W. Graham)	52.18
Catharine (H. R. O. Edmonds)	52.40
Leda (R. Lock)	53.16
Daphne (D. Webb)	53.50
Zuleika (J. C. Clavering)	54.27
Lady Anne (H. K. Watkins)	54.42
Bridget (P. Mann), Star of Eve (Miss E. Hawkings) did not finish.	

Aggregate points: Eileen 32½, Sun Lee 30, Orion 28, Catharine 23, Mignonette 21, Leda 20, Lady Anne 18, Daphne 17, Star of Eve and Shimurali 13, Zuleika 8, Bridget 7.

FINE SAILING ON WEEK-END

Good Turnout for Excellent M.Y.C. Racing

SNIPPET WINNER TWICE ON SUNDAY

A good turn out of members took advantage of the glorious sailing weather on Sunday and two very satisfactory races were sailed by the Minghong Yacht Club during the day. The wind at times was tricky, changing a point or two every now and then, so that the skippers had to be very much on the alert to get the best out of their respective craft. The morning race was sailed from the club house up river round No. 44 buoy and back to the finishing line at the W.C.B. pontoon in Point Island Creek.

The boats got away to a good start, except for Rona who had to put back to replace a snapped jib sheet. Snippet took the lead with the rest of the boats well bunched just behind, and was first to round the first mark at No. 6 buoy. Curlew was next but was soon overtaken by Cygnet. Squirrel was close behind, but unfortunately ran aground off Point Island breakwater. The course to No. 44 buoy was a battle against tide and wind, the strong sudden gusts keeling the boats over to their limit. As the fish market was neared, Snippet and Cygnet were still in the lead, with Curlew holding third place and Rona making good time after her delayed start. The rounding mark was passed in this order, the run home being accomplished without difficulty with a following wind and ebb tide. Squirrel, having snapped a halyard, turned home, and Tern also did not finish.

Snippet (L. Komor)	1st
Cygnet (C. A. Mason)	2nd
Curlew (B. B. Everest)	3rd
Rona (H. C. F. Aris)	4th
Squirrel (F. G. West)	dnf
Tern (J. Montgomery)	dnf

Rescue Race Postponed

With the wind freshening even more in the afternoon a Rescue Race had to be postponed, and a straight race sailed instead. The course was set down river round No. 5 buoy with the finish at the end of Point Island breakwater. Snippet again took the lead at the start, but was closely challenged all the way to the rounding mark by Curlew and Cygnet. The fleet kept well together, except for Ga Ga, which was rigged with a small set of sails. After passing the rounding mark the boats strung out somewhat for the beat up river to the finish. Snippet still lead on the run home, with Cygnet on her heels. Vidux, Curlew and Swallow had a tussle for third place, the former boat eventually getting ahead.

Squirrel had bad luck again in this race, running aground on the shoals below Jukong Wharf, which was very unfortunate as she had been making good way and was rapidly overhauling the leaders. The finish for third place was a close one, Vidux just beating Swallow by 4 seconds.

Snippet (L. Komor)	1st
Cygnet (C. A. Mason)	2nd
Vidux (V. Sharman)	3rd
Swallow (G. Daly)	4th
Curlew (B. B. Everest)	5th
Rona (H. C. F. Aris)	6th
Squirrel (F. G. West)	7th
Ga Ga (Wm. C. Woodfield)	8th

CHINESE BASKETBALL SIDE TO VISIT MANILA

Nanking, July 19.

Arrangements are being made for the formation of a combined Shanghai-Nanking basketball team for the invasion of the Philippine Islands in August, according to information received here from the China National Amateur Athletic Federation. The Combined All-Star Team of Nanking has been approached by the Federation to furnish six players to the team, with Shanghai making up the rest. To be managed by Tommy Chao, Reuter's correspondent in Nanking, the team will sail from Shanghai on August 4 in the President Jefferson.—Central News.

LIGHTWEIGHT TITLE ASPIRANTS

Two Contenders to Meet on Thursday

An important step in the direction of settlement of the somewhat tangled situation in the China lightweight championship class is expected to be taken on Thursday in the six-round special event which supports the main bout of the evening between André Shelaeff, welter champion, and Young Alde, his most dangerous challenger. This special event is to be between "Chuck" Haines of the Marines, leading American title-seeker in this weight group, and Vladimir Gravitsky, leading Russian contender.

While Seaman Ron Bainbridge of H.M.S. Suffolk who long will be remembered for his sensational T.K.O. over Kostia Levchenko, is rated the leading lightweight in this country, Haines and Gravitsky are very much in the running, as are Corporal Lacey, British Army scrapper who ranks "top" in North China, and Jackie Parks, although the Korean really is a featherweight. Gravitsky earned this chance at Haines through beating Joe Clara, Filipino aspirant, two weeks ago, while Haines ousted Mark Gecker more than a month ago. With the Haines-Gravitsky issue settled, the winner may take on Parks, the winner going on to face either Lacey or Bainbridge should they be available.

The lightweight championship belt is one of a total of four which have been offered by the Auditorium, the Forum of Tientsin, the Henningsen Produce Co., and the Grand Garage Francais, the last-mentioned having presented the bantamweight belt recently won by Ray Mayo. Haines and Gravitsky will be two of the fastest boxers on Thursday's programme, one which is expected to draw another record turn-out in view of the controversy which has raged since Shelaeff was awarded a decision over Alde on June 18.

Eight bouts totaling 46 two-minute rounds comprise the Auditorium's latest fistic offering, the appeal of which was reflected in the brisk demand for seats at Messrs. Squires Bingham Co. all day yesterday.

FINNISH RUNNER'S TWO WORLD RECORDS

Helsingfors, July 19.

Two new world records were established at Kohala by the Finnish runner, Salminen, who completed ten kilometres in 30 minutes, 6 seconds and took 29 minutes, 8.3 seconds for six miles.—Trans-Ocean.

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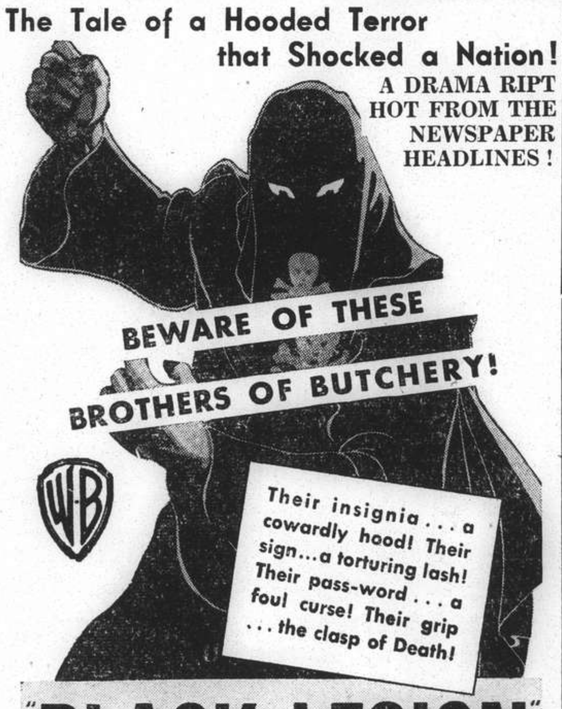

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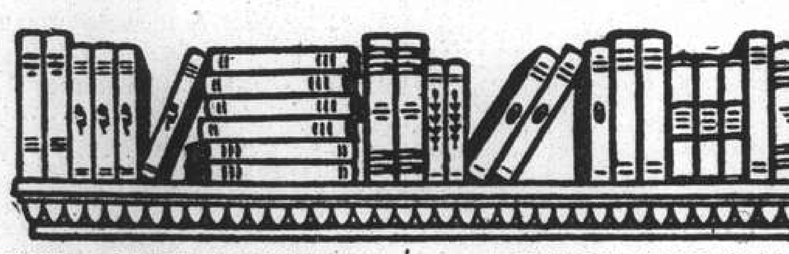

LUCKY STEP-DAUGHTER

THIS LIFE I'VE LOVED.—By Isobel Field. Illustrated. Michael Joseph, London. 15/-.

The title is taken from the verse:

> This life I've loved is like a Christmas tree.
> Each day its branches bear new gifts for me,
> All wrapped with love and tied with ribbons gay,
> No wonder that my skies are seldom gray!

and Mrs. Field's enchanting book is just like that. She was R. L. Stevenson's step-daughter but that is not by any means the focal point of interest in her life. It was amusing and adventurous enough before her mother's second marriage to the writer, although there is naturally a more particular interest in the latter parts of the book which describe their life in Samoa. Belle Osbourne was born in the Southern States during the Civil War, but when she was

"Myself"

four her parents took her to California and from there to Reese River, in Nevada, where her father had staked out a claim in a gold-mine. The original little girl rapidly became the camp pet. One of the miners, Johnny, was her fast friend and he staked out a claim for her, strangely enough near their own cabin door on the road which was taken by the miners every morning on their road to work. Her first "pay dirt" was in the shape of several bright new twenty-five cent pieces, and for years she believed that money was dug out of the earth already minted. Her mother only protested when she came home one day proudly brandishing a fine big bowie-knife which she had dug out of her "mine."

The First Meeting

Hard days were to follow, for her father went off into the desert with a party of prospectors and word was brought back that they had all been massacred by Indians. Her mother moved with her small family to San Francisco and tried with great difficulty to support herself by sewing, but it was hard going until one day her handsome and dashing father turned up, as unexpectedly as he did most things, having been one of the only two survivors of the massacre.

Mrs. Osbourne, Isobel's mother, first met Stevenson in France. Things had been going badly between her and her husband for some time, though they kept their differences from their children. It was finally decided that she and Belle and the two young boys should go to Antwerp, where the two women were to study art. But they had to go on to Paris almost at once since there was no studio in Antwerp which would take women pupils. While in Paris they spent their summers in a little country village called Grez, and there they met Stevenson, who fell in love at first sight with the pretty young woman and married her soon after her divorce from Osbourne.

A King's Coat-of-Arms

After a few years of pleasantly Bohemian existence in San Francisco, Belle, now Mrs. Joe Strong, went to Honolulu with her husband where he was commissioned to paint landscapes for a wealthy American. Life there was quite idyllic. The young couple were soon very popular and on intimate terms with the group around the Palace. King Kalakaua was still reigning and Belle soon became a close friend both of his and of his sister Princess Liliuokalani. Belle is full of admiration for this beautiful and intelligent and well-bred nation. At this time there was no colour-bar at all and intermarriages were frequent; the offspring seemed to justify this attitude.

Belle also did some painting, and Kalakaua was so pleased with the coat of arms which she designed for him that he gave her an odd and fascinating commission. When any particularly beautiful fish was caught it was rushed to Belle who would immediately dash it on to a canvas.

The Gentle Tyrant

She was heart-broken at having to leave Honolulu, but R.L.S., by this time her step-father, seems to have been something of a domestic tyrant, though a very gentle and beloved one. He believed in ruling his family and he lovingly but firmly insisted that Belle should come to Samoa with them. She never regretted it. The Samoans were known as the "gentlefolk of the Pacific" and were if possible even more delightful than the Hawaiians. R.L.S. called them "God's best, His sweetest work." The men whom Fanny (Mrs. Osbourne [illegible]) and Belle trained to help them joined the household not as servants but as members of the clan, transferring their allegiance from their own chief to Stevenson. They worked hard and well because they were devoted to Stevenson and because it was an honour to belong to the Vailima clan. Belle records, however, that one of them once interrupted a scolding with a pat on the head and a gentle "Enough, little one! Cease!" She ceased.

The story ends with Stevenson's death. She says only:

> At the height of his fame, in the best health he had ever enjoyed, with plans ahead for work and pleasure, Louis went out of this life suddenly, quietly, painlessly, leaving us all stunned.

Thus ended one of the happiest chapters of her life and thus also ends this charming and spirited book of memoirs.—NADYS.

A NEW PARADISE?

SOVIET DEMOCRACY.—By Pat Sloan. Gollancz, London. 6/-.

To produce a book entitled "Soviet Democracy" at this time is a courageous attempt and Mr. Sloan has done his job well. He is an accomplished pamphleteer, but like most pamphleteers he makes the mistake of overstating his case. His book would be more convincing if it were less obviously propagandist. An author who writes

> In the first Soviet Constitution of 1918 the vast majority of the population obtained electoral rights on a wider scale than have existed at any previous time in Russia or, with the exception of Soviet China, in any other to this day.

can hardly be taken as altogether reliable. Those who have studied the history of the early days of the red reign of terror in Russia, and who remember that it was only in the past year that the secret ballot was introduced, will find his statement rather difficult to accept, and those who know anything of "Soviet China" may find it hard to suppress a smile. More serious than this exaggerated adulation of the system he supports is Mr. Sloan's suppression of facts which weaken his case. "Religious freedom," he writes, "was guaranteed from the first days of the Revolution" and "freedom of religious and anti-religious propaganda was accorded to every citizen by the constitution." He neglects to point out that this was changed before long to "freedom of religious confession and anti-religious propaganda," and thereby religious freedom was reduced to a shadow; for while the enemy of religion was free to attack it as much as he liked, the believer, though allowed to worship, was legally prohibited from either propagating his faith or defending it against attack. Instances of this slurring over awkward points are not infrequent in the book and they most necessarily lessen its value.

"One Man's Meat...."

Nevertheless, the author has written a thought-provoking and useful account of life in Soviet Russia. Some sections of it are almost reminiscent of the classical socialist Utopia, "News from Nowhere," and indeed even if it were, like the earlier book, pure fiction, it would remain a valuable critique of our society and a brilliant forecast of ways in which it might advance. The book is, however, far more than this, for Mr. Sloan has lived in Soviet Russia for six years and he writes from his own experience. Even his propagandist spirit is interesting, for it is witness to the fact that at least one well-educated Briton has lived and worked in the U.S.S.R. and emerged at the end an enthusiast for the régime. Sir Charles Trevelyan is quoted on the dust-cover as saying:

> Mr. Sloan has written the most effective short account of Soviet Russia yet presented to the British public ....Every worker in our country ought to read this book and ask himself whether this new civilization is what he wants, or the old society in which he lives. Mr. Sloan shows how a new world has been created where there is growing prosperity, no unemployment, rising wages, more education than anywhere else in the world, universal paid holidays, women unchallengeably in work and leisure equal with men.

Change and Decay

Even if we discount a great deal of what the author says, we have much to learn from his book. One of the most stable things in our present day unstable society is the very fact of its instability. We live in an age that has seen tremendous changes and far from there being any sign that the day of change is over, there seems to be every indication that more and bigger changes are going to come upon us with increasing speed. What we have called Western civilization has ceased to be fixed entity. New forms of society are emerging. Unless we are content to drift we must study these and learn from them, so that we may build a new civilization out of that which is disintegrating. The critic who thinks that Soviet Russia has nothing to teach him should read this book, and be enlightened.

Yet when one has heard all there is to be said of the achievements of the Communist régime and when one has pictured all Mr. Sloan's hopes for it in the future, and tried to do this with the author's own rose-coloured spectacles, it is still a question whether one will consider the landscape beautiful. That we have much to learn from the Soviet experiment few but the hopelessly prejudiced will deny, but personally the communist ideal of society, which Mr. Sloan seems to think will be an earthly paradise, disgusts me by its lack of depth, humanity, and humour. My idea of paradise is not an anthill.

Beginner's Luck

Some final points seem to call for comment. Mr. Sloan makes great capital of the absence of unemployment in Russia. It should be remembered that Russia was a backward country with undeveloped resources when the Bolshevists came into power. Even the most chaotic and ill-directed form of capitalism could scarcely have caused unemployment in such a country during the first period of industrialization. It may well be that the Soviet system will eliminate unemployment, but only when Russia has caught up with the industrial development of the capitalist countries, whose mechanical technique she is so swiftly adopting, will it be time to judge. So far Russia has not been tested.

Secondly the author gives the impression that from the earliest days of the revolution the Bolshevists had the support of the vast majority of the population. This is so palpably untrue that it is hard to know what weight to give to his estimate of the popular support for the government at the present time.

Thirdly the book contains an admirable defence of the party dictatorship. It would be equally sound as an argument for Nazism. Mr Sloan seems to forget that Hitler got into power in the first instance by a democratic election. The Bolshevists did not. His argument is actually a better defence for Hitler than for Stalin. Brilliant as the argument is, both seem to me to need a good deal of defending.

Finally, Mr. Sloan attempts to justify the Moscow trials and their methods. He has my sympathy in undertaking such a thankless task.—M.B.

A TOPICAL BOOK

THE NORTH CHINA PROBLEM.—By Shuhsi Hsu. Shanghai; Kelly & Walsh prepared under the auspices of the Council of International Affairs, Nanking.

This book is almost tragically topical for Dr. Hsu has surveyed the development and present situation of the international problem of North China. He has thus given an invaluable background to events which are rapidly shaping themselves in the North. Those who do not understand how it is that Japanese representatives backed up by Japanese military forces can dictate terms as if they were in military occupation of Hopei will profit by reading this historical account of the fall of Jehol—a débâcle arising from the earlier inroad into Manchuria—, the resultant Truce of Tangku, the creation of the demilitarized zone which eventually emerged as the East Hopei autonomous régime. The gradual pressure of Japanese military authority on North China is clearly recorded. The technique was simple: acting on the terms of the Tangku Truce and, later, on those of the Ho-Umetsu Agreement of 1935, the Japanese were able further to undermine the independence of local Chinese authority and then to transform that independence as controlled by them into a definite independence of control from Nanking. The adventure in Inner Mongolia presents the solitary example of a definite check to Japanese aggression for the successful defeat of the Japanese-aided rebels by the capture of Pailingmiao gave the Chinese Government a hold over Suiyuan with the power to endeavour to restore the situation in North Charhar. Dr. Hsu gives due attention to the diplomatic repercussions of this encroachment and examines Japan's relations with the other Powers. He pertinently asks: what will come next? Whether that question is now being answered the course of the present series of events should tell. He gives good reasons for arguing that China cannot for strategic and political reasons accept the present situation in regard to Manchuria and Jehol. He finds himself

> at a loss to divine the real purpose of the Japanese in the creation of the North China problem. If it is their intention to annex a few intra-mural provinces and the western half of Inner Mongolia, we shall have no remark to make, for to the Chinese this "will mean that the fundamental existence of our nation and our race is threatened", this "will mean that it is impossible for us to endure any longer." But if by their activities in North China the Japanese mean simply to compel China to acquiesce in the loss of the north-eastern provinces, or even to accord *de jure or de facto* recognition to the puppet state, we shall tell them that they may as well abandon their dream.

The book ends with an appeal to Japan to reconsider her policy in North China in the light of China's recent advances and of her own financial and political difficulties. The appeal is receiving comment from Japanese actions at the present moment.—E.H.

AN AMERICAN EDITION

THE NEW CULTURE IN CHINA.—By Lancelot Forster, Professor of Education in the University of Hongkong. With an Introduction by Sir Michael E. Sadler. Stokes, New York. G.$2.50.

Professor Lancelot Forster's excellent book "The New Culture in China," which was exceedingly favourably reviewed in this journal when it appeared from its English publishers, has now been given the honour of an American edition and has been brought out under the auspices of Frederick A. Stokes Co., New York. In considering this book last August the reviewer said:

> Professor Forster has produced a very charming scholarly and sympathetic survey of cultural movements in the China of to-day. He is not concerned to pour out unthinking eulogy on every development nor does he uncritically accept the basic doctrines on which China's philosophy has been founded. He emphasizes the advantages to be attained from co-operation with foreign cultural activities and he manages deftly to apply his examination of philosophical tendencies to the political perplexities of the moment. As an example of the delicacy of his method the very short chapter which contrasts the scene in a Chinese and English bank is attractively typical......His chapter on the mass education movement is exceptionally interesting, based as it is on a personal visit to Ting Hsien and, of course, on a long professional experience of his own. The book concludes with a thoughtful appreciation of Dr. Hu Shih as a true product of China's cultural activities......Discussion of the Three Principles, the development of the universities along the Yangtze, and the possibilities of securing unity of purpose in China all furnish material for Professor Forster's thoughtful examination and lucid exposition.—E.H.

CARE FOR THE FAIR

NAN GLOSTER'S BEAUTY BOOK. The Greek Ideal—Modern Methods. A Complete Home Guide to Good Looks. Illustrated. Routledge, London. 7/6.

Hope springs eternal in the human breast—and here is an encouraging new beauty book. The author computes the make-up of beauty thus:

> ....Among those with genuine good looks, actual beauty may be assessed as 25 per cent. birth, 25 per cent. brains, 25 per cent. charm, and 25 per cent. culture—or one quarter natural and the rest speculative.

Most students of this book will feel that they possess at least the 25 per cent. original gift—and on that basis they can learn how to build up a "scheme of charming illusions." They will be instructed in the correct way of washing the face—a little more complicated than the usual method, but it will add interest to the daily round. There are instructions on make-up for every type, remedies for "problem complexions," recipes for facial masks, cold creams, lotions and powders, "muscular drills for an Athenian cheek," treatments to ensure lustrous eyes—the hair, hands, arms, wrists and feet have a long chapter—and every possible exercise is given which will make the student's figure nearer to that of a modern Venus. The ladies who have posed for the photographs are certainly an inspiration, and Mr. Leo Dowd has helped the good work with his drawings. Altogether this appears to be a very useful book and there is enough in it for hours of pleasant study.—D.P.

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WHITHER SCIENCE?

SCIENCE FRONT 1936.—By Gerald Heard. Cassell, London. 5/-.

This small volume by one of England's modern thinkers, Gerald Heard, is a summing up of the science front to the beginning of this year, and a brilliant, though disturbing, conception of what the future of the human race may or may not be.

The most recent discoveries in food production, health and the prevention of disease tell of the immense increase made in the world's corn supply by crossing breeds of wheat to make plants ripen quickly, yield well on thin soils and, most wonderful of all, by crossing with couch grass to make cotton a perennial instead of an annual. Sea water can now be made drinkable without the slow and expensive process of distillation; the water flows through hollow rods of synthetic ambers or artificial resins, which take up the metallic and alkaline chemicals present. Out comes a water, "which, though not equal to Malvern in quality," is drinkable.

In the hunt for a better cotton, "sea island" has been crossed with a more aristocratic type, and a breed which is half weed and half aristocrat will probably be able to hold its own for another year or two against synthetic fabrics.

Research work in the fields of medicine, surgery and the prevention of disease are too long to quote in this brief review; so also are recent discoveries in physics—cosmic rays, the thermionic valve, the cyclostron, and other mysteries of the modern laboratory.

In the concluding chapter on "The Science of Ourselves" the story of the new natural history of man is told and the fact that human nature does change is made more than apparent. Where and how civilization arose and the three new clues as to how to keep it going conclude a notable and provocative review which every intelligent layman will read with stimulation.—R.W.D.

PLANETARY INFLUENCES

TRANSCENDENTAL ASTROLOGY.—By R. G. S. Norris. With 44 Illustrations. Rider, London. 15/-.

To review such a book is, I think, an impossible task. Suffice it to quote what the author himself has written:

> This new book aims at a restoration of Astrology to its rightful place as a study of far deeper import than the casting of horoscopes and shows Planetary influence at work on those planes which interpenetrate the physical, namely the astral, mental and spiritual. It includes a consideration of the fundamental precepts of Theosophical and Rosicrucian literature, demonstrating their relation to Astrology and endeavours to restore Numerology to its rightful place as a useful adjunct to Astrology, incidentally solving the age-old problem of plural births.
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> A new planet named Athene, to which is allocated the overtone numberal 22, is declared to be likely of discovery by the Astronomer in the year 1938. The attention of those interested in Physics is drawn to the section dealing with mathematical indications of Planetary Influences within the Seven Primary Elements and the apparent atomic relationship, through the carrier wave of Mercury (and the number 5) with five discharges that precede the reversion of Radium to Lead.

To me this book is an extraordinary excursion into the wilderness. All the thousands details concerning planets, etc., are given as true facts and bewildering conclusions are drawn. If all this had been given as a personal lucubration about astrological dreams, no objection would be raised. But to pretend that modern astronomy joins there astrological conclusions or to say that it should—then that seems too much.

Beyond the Common Man

The author quotes plenty of Christ's sayings, but the general impression is that his religious ideas are rather pantheistic. His purpose is sincere and aiming at the conquest of truth, but this conquest through the astrological method is a rather laborious one—quite out of the range of common mortals.

Mr. Norris seems also to admit "free will," but I find it different to understand that, owing to the unceasing and multiple actions of the planets on the poor human being.

After having been through these 277 pages one feels—drowsy? Really such a transcendental astrology requires a quite peculiarly trained mind. One feels like being in the open country during one of our tropical hot nights—surrounded by myriads of fireflies, flickering all around. Half-asleep, one might think one is floating among the starry skies and under their multiple influence. Happily, the real stars and planets are very high above and do not waste their energy in guiding the moral activities of the human beings far below.

Still More Light

A few more quotations may be added:

> The planets are in reality the channels and agencies of the Divine or natural laws. Astrology their interpretation. Accordingly the study of this great subject must be the key to the understanding of all that is manifest.
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> Man is Body, Soul and Spirit; terms often loosely applied....The Ego or the true spiritual part of man....is a threefold sheath with the Divine Spark as its centre. The experience in the three lower worlds of matter are gradually bringing into conscious activity these three sheaths. Organizing them in order that they may function, consciously, in the Spiritual Worlds.
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> The Soul is also threefold. It represents the essence of the qualities acquired during sojourn in the three bodies of matter. These will be built into the three sheaths of the Divine Spark, but only in as far as they are perfected qualities. We see here the occult reflection of the astrological aphorism: "Character is Destiny."
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> In ages ahead the Divine Spark will have self-consciousness in the Spiritual Worlds through the qualities and the experiences it has acquired in the lower worlds, and what might be termed individual originality (involution, evolution and epigenesis).

Not Proven

The author quotes St. Paul's saying, "Prove all things; hold fast that which is good," and the rejoinder of the Lord Buddha, "Accept nothing unreasonable. Discard nothing as unreasonable without proper examination." I feel that the author should have done that before stating his conception (given as really proved) of the human being as in the above quotation.

All his "numberic work" consists of numeral additions—quite easy to do and quite correct. One can, however, at least object, from the scientific point of view, to the author accepting the planet "Athene" as really existing and putting all stars and planets on the same astronomical plane. One may even add that all the Zodiac constellations are a purely conventional grouping of stars—the Chinese have grouped them in a different way. To state that all human beings' activities will be ruled by this human frouping of stars is truly a hint of the "astrological logic."—E.G.H.

NEW FICTION

When you get Ronald Knox's name on the cover and at the beginning a chart of a district in the Scottish Highlands and in addition another stolen copy of a chart that tells of hidden treasure, all set out in a well-produced volume and called **"Double Cross Purposes"** (Hodder & Stoughton, London. 7/6), you feel that there is going to be more than ordinary ingenuity displayed before you lay the book down and ask yourself what you really feel about it. And this particular reviewer feels that it is too difficult for us ordinary people, too involved, we who can enjoy, say, a "Daily Telegraph" crossword are being invited to face up to one of Torquemada's, which is absurd! Cross purposes or double purposes we could just face up to, but double cross purposes make it hard for us to keep up a lively enough interest in the story that is so evidently subsidiary to the problem. The private detective, Miles Bredon, and his wife, Angela, are mildly interesting, but the characters generally fail to come to life in the entangling of this too tangled skein. A corpse discovered in a burnt-out garage is much the same as a piece of lamp discovered in the same place—just properties to help the writer keep us mystified as to how and why everything happened. It's just too clever, and so, for me, disappointing.—J.C.

Mr. Eden Phillpotts has a wonderful knack of ringing the changes on the moods and passions of Devonshire. No-one but he could convincingly stage a farce within hailing distance of Princetown and on the top of it bring into the picture an escaped convict who is quite unlike the usual grim figure of his kind, except that, of course, he was wrongfully convicted. There is a vicar who is more devoted to entomology than any theological issues, much to the annoyance of an exceedingly strong-minded sister, whose firm refusal to believe good of anyone, especially the young man who wants to marry her niece, provides a good deal of the comedy in the story. But the two heroines of **"Farce in Three Acts"** (Hutchinson, London. 7/6) are also vividly drawn—the one the vicar's daughter, and the other the unspoilt and impish Devonshire lass who waits at the vicarage table and also acts as the romantic protector of the convict, her reward being appropriately his hand and heart, a fate which she does not find too rigorous as he turns out to be exceedingly wealthy and a baronet to boot.

Big Gavity, the hero of Eugene Cunningham's **"Whistling Lead"** (Hodder & Stoughton, London. 7/6) is in the authentic succession of those who on the Texas-Mexico border drew quickly and shot accurately colts and derringers and even at times dealt in sawn-off shotguns. The book echoes to the endless whistling of lead and the hero shoots his way through the evil machinations of corrupt politicians, breaks up the gangs of swell mobsmen, and with an invulnerability to which that of Achilles can hardly be compared, engages his foes singly, or in twos and threes, or even in pitched battles almost like that of the "one and the fifty-three". His love affairs get the proper twist at the last moment and all is well—but forty or fifty years ago we only paid one or two pennies for this fare!—J.C.

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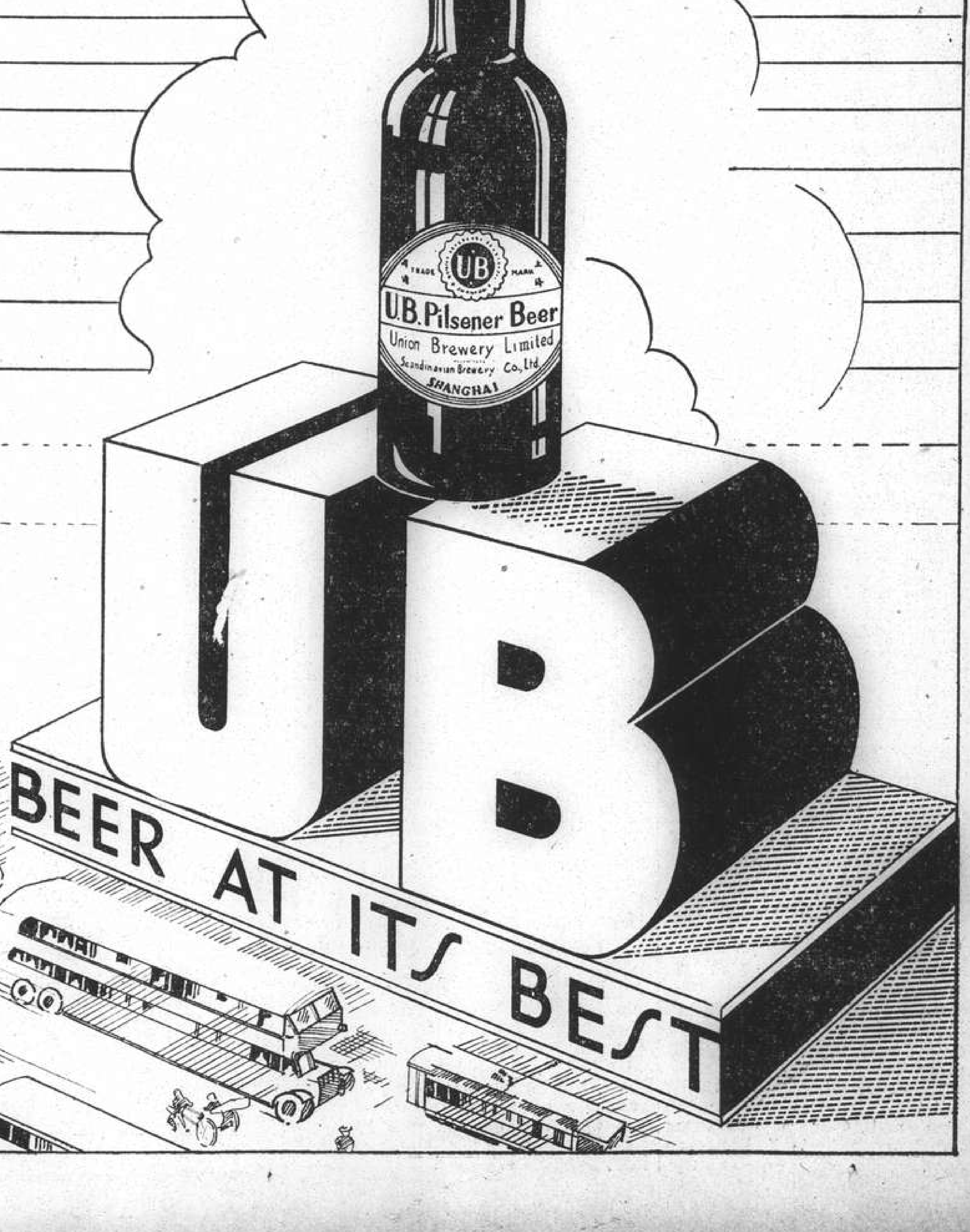

FRISCO'S AID TO BASEBALL

Second Contribution to Major League Pennant Winning

New York, July 18.

San Francisco is far from the Major League, but it seems that the Golden Gate City again will play a big part in deciding a big league Pennant race.

San Francisco gave the Yankees Joe DiMaggio in 1936, and Joe made a second place team into a world championship outfit. San Francisco gave the Chicago Cubs Joe Marty in 1937, and another second place club may be transformed into a pennant winner. Bill Terry, manager of the New York Giants, says the Cubs are the team to beat. Pie Traynor, manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates, says the same thing. So does Frankie Frisch, manager of the St. Louis Cardinals.

The big chance in the Cubs is Joe Marty, a tall, redfaced Californian of Swiss-German descent. In 1934 Marty left St. Mary's College to enter organized baseball and play with San Francisco. In his first season he played right-field alongside DiMaggio. When DiMaggio went to the Yankees, Marty moved over to centre-field and stepped into DiMaggio's shoes as the leading hitter of the Pacific Coast League. The Cubs gave approximately $10,000 and four players—not $75,000 as frequently printed—for Marty. The players were Gill, Lillaro Vitter and Flowers.

It was the manager, Charles Grimm, who made the decision to buy Marty after Cub scouts had turned him down.

"I need outfield strength," said Grimm, "and I hear some nice things about this Marty. I'm going to take a chance on him."

Until May 23 Marty was floundering around in centre-field playing in-and-out baseball. Then he pulled a prize error in a game against the Giants on May 22. With New York ahead, 3-2, and Marty on third in the seventh inning, pinch-hitter O'Dea hit a terrific liner to centre. Marty stumbled all along the baseline and failed to score with the trying run. After the Cubs had lost, 3-2, jovial Charlie Grimm decided to gamble on making a major leaguer out of Marty if he had it in him ro ruin him if he did not have big league timber in him.

"You dreary-eyed blankety-blank," said Grimm in the locker room. "I don't want your kind of players around. Get ready to go home."

That is a mild version of what Grimm really said. But the way Marty took his tongue-lashing made Grimm readjust his opinion of the 23-year-old rookie. Newspapermen asked Grimm later who'd play centrefield the next day. He boomed: "Marty stays in centre."

The Recovery

Marty made three hits the next day, including a double and a homer, and accounted for four runs. He has been going like a house afire since. His batting average is topped only by eleven players, and he is No. 12 in the league in the number of runs driven in. Afield Marty is one of the fastest and most graceful outfielders in the league. His arm is one of the league's truest. Charlie Graham, owner of the San Francisco Club, says he can outthrow DiMaggio.

When he came up, Marty had a reputation for being a moody player. Two things have happened to Marty to boist up his confidence and make him stop worrying when things go wrong. Grimm's talk was one of them. Tex Carleton, Marty's roommate, is the other. Carleton never stops talking about how good Marty is.

"Joe, you're the best outfielder in this league," is Tex's theme song. He'll tell it to anyone who will listen. But Joe, called "Whang" by the Cubs, doesn't say a thing. He just sits around with a big smile on his face, and says: "See, Tex, he's my mouthpiece."—United Press.

U.S. OPEN DATES FOR 1938

To be at Cherry Hills Club in Colorado in June

The 1938 U.S. National Open Golf Championship will be played at the Cherry Hills Club, at Englewood, Colorado, the United States Golf Association announced here in New York recently. The dates for the tournament will be either June 2-4 or June 9-11, depending on the dates chosen for the 1938 British Open Championship, Reuter says.

The 1938 U.S. Amateur Championship will be played at the Oakmont Country Club, near Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The dates have yet to be decided.

BOXER'S OPINION OF CHAMPION

Louis Over-rated, Says South African Fighter

One of South Africa's best middleweights, Eddie Pierce, reached London in the Queen Mary from New York, recently, says Reuter.

Pierce had eleven fights in the United States, won them all, and scored seven knockouts.

His opinion of Joe Louis is interesting: "Louis is greatly over-rated" said Pierce. "He is a strong puncher, but has to set himself for every blow. He is a slow thinker, and only shines when he can dominate a fight. He is upset when his opponent does the attacking."

SPORTS CARNIVAL AT THE LIDO POOL

An aquatic sports carnival and competition, open to all amateurs of all nationalities, will be held at the swimming pool of the Lido, 306 Medhurst Road, for three consecutive nights, commencing Thursday, July 23, it is announced by Mr. William Hu, director of the event.

Members of the Foreign Y.M.C.A., Fourth Marines, and other organizations have signified their intention of entering athletes for the competitions. The prizes will include silver cups and other tokens. Contestants may obtain tickets of admission at the Lido.

Foreign and Chinese newspaper sports writers will be invited to serve as judges.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF WAR OBSERVED IN SPAIN

Pres. Azana Denounces Italo-German Intervention: Gen. Franco Outlines Nationalist Programme

Valencia, July 18.

"THE Germans and Italians are not here to defeat the Republic but to take our mines and naval bases in order to check other Powers like Great Britain and France," declared the Socialist President of Spain, Sr. Manuel Azana, in an address before a crowded meeting here to-day on the occasion of the anniversary of the beginning of the civil war. The President denounced the proposal to grant belligerent rights to the insurgents as an "impertinent intervention."

The Government's military strength, he asserted, was better.

"I know that there are half a million Spanish bayonets," he added, "which will not let themselves be vanquished."—Reuter.

British Press Attitude

London, July 19.

The first anniversary of the civil war in Spain gave the British press an opportunity to show on which side their sympathies lie.

The great resources of the Nationalists are discussed in "The Times," which says, "Since the loss of Malaga by the republican government, Spain cannot feed itself while nationalist Spain's problem consists of disposing of its surplus production. The prospects for its crops are excellent, and the Nationalists have the lion's share of mines. They are able to further schemes for financing the war, and they have law and order."

The comparison of medieval Spain's fight against the Moors is used by the "Morning Post" to describe the revolt of insurgents against the Valencia Government. "Catholic chivalrous Spain has risen to repel more barbarous enemy than the Islam of another age," it declares. "General Franco is proceeding with the great work of liberation, pacifying and consolidating as he advances. He is restoring Spain to herself, and is defeating a conspiracy which threatens all of us. Our people and government owe him a debt of gratitude."

A warning is given by the "Daily Mail" that, "Great Britain must not repeat the mistake of backing losers as she did in the Abyssinian war."—Havas.

Madrid Rallying Call

Madrid, July 19.

"Soldiers and people, heroes of independence and liberty, the moment is here to show to the world that the legions of Hitler and Mussolini will be annihilated on our soil."

Thus began an appeal addressed by Gen. Jose Miaja, head of the Council for Republic Defence, yesterday on the first anniversary of the Spanish Civil War.

"Spain will not be another Abyssinia. The invaders will be overthrown, and after their defeat a free and strong Spain will arise, built by those who desire the culture of bread and liberty."

Numerous meetings were held in the capital in honour of the day, one of the most impassioned orations being made by Dolores Ibarruri, Communist deputy from Oviedo. Called "La Pasionaria" by the people, she paid tribute to the heroism and sacrifice of the women of Madrid, an example for the rest of the world, and bitterly attacked the attitude of the other democratic powers, "who hesitate to come to the rescue of Spain before the blustering of the dictators."—Havas.

Bilbao Laments

Bilbao, July 19.

A memorial service for the 300 hostages killed by the Anarchists before the evacuation of Bilbao was held here at the municipal cemetery in observance of the anniversary of the Nationalist uprising, the title of "Knights of Spain" being conferred on these victims of the Red Terror.—Trans-Ocean.

Gen. Franco's Declaration

Salamanca, July 19.

Gen. Francisco Franco made a significant speech last night on the occasion of the first anniversary of the Nationalist uprising.

Beginning with a resumé of the conditions prior to July 18, 1936, when, as he declared "the laws were constantly violated, the country was insulted, power alone reigned, the army was degraded on every occasion, churches and monasteries were burnt and extremist bands ruled the streets." Gen. Franco recalled the cowardly murder of Calvo Sotello just prior to the outbreak of the Nationalist revolt on July 17. The futile government distributed all available weapons to questionable elements and thousands of officers and soldiers died before firing squads. The true patriots rushed to the army and the famous march on Madrid began. Despite the murder of naval officers, a small group of courageous men gained control of the fleet which to-day commanded the sea.

Gen. Franco sketched the policy of the Nationalist Government, its measures for the support of needy families, its protection of the weak and the preservation of all laws formerly in existence. The wish of the Nationalist Government to maintain cordial relations with foreign nations had met with dark opposition in some cases but in general, common sense had prevailed.

Thanks Given for Aid

"Munition dealers may carry on business with our enemies," Gen. Franco went on, "capitalists of bourgeois regimes may enrich themselves at our expense and Freemasons may attempt to halt our advance, but the day will come when those who to-day challenge our right will be forced to admire the Spanish youth who has won a battle for Europe and liberated the world from a horrible scourge. We shall not forget the countries, such as Germany, Italy and Portugal, who have championed our cause and extended a helping hand to us during these difficult days of our struggle."

Gen. Franco then informed the country of plans to create an administrative organization to replace the present technical Government Junta.

In conclusion, the Nationalist leader emphasized the spirit of unity born in the front trenches which bound Spaniards of all classes and from all districts into true national unity.—Trans-Ocean.

Soviet Press Comment

Moscow, July 18.

The first anniversary of the Spanish conflict is used by the Soviet press for numerous articles stressing the solidarity between Red Spain and Soviet Russia.

The Red Army organ, "Krassnaya Svesda," announces categorically that the reorganized Republican army, equipped with the most modern technical equipment and ably directed by political commissars and commanders, will crush and annihilate the Fascist forces.—Trans-Ocean.

STUDENT MURDER IN TOKYO TRIAL ENDS

Father, Mother and Sister Are Sentenced

SON'S LIFE INSURANCE AS MOTIVE

Tokyo, July 19.

Judge Hajime Yoshida of the Tokyo District Court, this morning ended one of the most sensational trials in modern Japanese criminal records when he sentenced an elderly man, once a medical practitioner, and his wife, who, with their daughter, were convicted of having slain their student son to collect £66,000 in life insurance.

Hiroshi Tokuda, 54, the father was sentenced to death. His wife, 48 years old, received a life term while the daughter, Eiko, 22, will have to spend six years at hard labour. In her case, the 400 days spent awaiting trial will be deducted from the term.

The trio were charged with having literally hacked to death Mitsugu Toyoda, 24-year-old Nippon University student, early in the morning of Nov. 3, 1935. They obtained his life insurance by claiming the youth had been slain by a robber.

Kitchen Knives Used

The prosecution alleged the father and mother wielded kitchen knives on their son, whose hands were being held behind his back, tied with a towel, by the daughter. On previous occasions, the procurator said, the father had attempted to murder his son by poison.

Confessions admitting the crimes were obtained from the mother and the daughter, who pleaded guilty in court. The father denied the charges and said his confession was obtained by the police by hitting him on the head.

The Prosecutor, Mr. Sadao Nomura, on July 2 demanded the father be sentenced to death, the mother to life imprisonment and the daughter to eight years of hard labour. The trial opened on May 24.—Domei.

PARIS HOTEL STRIKE NEARING END

Paris, July 19.

The strike in the hotel and restaurant trade appears to be nearing its end and the press here estimates that over 90 per cent. of the total personnel resumed work by last night. The declaration by the Premier, M. Camille Chautenmps, that the Government is firmly resolved to tolerate no further disorders has produced an excellent impression.—Trans-Ocean.

SOVIET RADIO DIRECTORS ARRESTED

London, July 19.

The directors of the Soviet radio stations at Kiev and Habarovsk have been arrested for "Trotzkyist activities" according to reports received here from Moscow. When Zinoviev and his associates were executed last year the directors had failed to stigmatize them before their radio listeners and had even broadcast funeral marches instead. When Marshal Tukhachevsky and the seven other generals were shot, the directors by an allegedly "technical error" prevented the announcement.—Trans-Ocean.

"BABY" OF COUNTY CRICKET

Introduced After Friendly Act to Professional

Seventeen-years-old Clift of Glamorgan, who played his first county match against Kent, must be the "baby" of county cricket. While he was batting, he made a creditable 24. Lavis, one of the Glamorgan professionals, watched him with special interest. It was Lavis who introduced him to the club, says a Reuter dispatch from London.

In the winter, Lavis, while playing football, was rather badly injured and a young fellow offered to take him home in his car. As a result of that trip a friendship sprang up between the two.

Clift was the good Samaritan, and Lavis, hearing of the boy's desire to become a country cricketer, watched him play and decided that he was good enough for a trial on the ground staff.

GERMAN ART HOUSE INAUGURATED

Herr Hitler to Sweep Away Dilettantism

INDIVIDUALITY WILL AGAIN RETURN

Munich, July 18.

Herr Adolf Hitler, Reichsfuehrer of National-Socialist Germany, on the occasion of the solemn inauguration of the House of German Art here today, addressed the nation on the nature of German art.

Herr Hitler repudiated the term "modern" art, the concept that art is international and denounced the allegation made abroad that art in Germany had better patronage under the former parliamentary regime than it had in Nazi Germany. He expressed the fervent hope for re-emergence of individuality in art as was shown in other spheres of activities in the nation and vowed he would sweep away dilettantism in art as he had swept it away in politics. German art, he declared, would endure as long as the German people and would express the soul of the German people.

"True art," he said, "is and remains in its achievements always eternal and deserves its appreciation as the immortal revelation of the deepest being of the people from whom it comes."

Dream Come True

Long before his advent to power, the Fuehrer said he had given serious thought to the cultural regeneration and reorganization of the nation. Among many plans that had occupied his thoughts in the time after the collapse of the nation, one was that of the erection of a great exhibition palace for German art at Munich. The building plans for the House of German Art had been designed by the Master-Architect, Prof. Ludwig Troost, and the thought filled one's heart with pain that this man had not been able to live to see his completed work inaugurated to-day.

"If I had never accomplished anything more in my life than merely to have caused this building to be erected, I would have thereby done more for German art than all ridiculous scribblers of our former Jewish newspapers or those insignificant art dilettants, who aware of their own evanescence, could do nothing better than praise the 'modernity' of their own productions."

Dilettantism Must Go

The Fuehrer declared it was his unalterable determination to put an end to dilettantism in German art, just as he had abolished the confusion in politics. From now onwards the people itself would be the judge of the worth of its own art. The German people would stand with its great artists of the future united with them in glad understanding.

"We do not believe that the great men of the past centuries were the last to be endowed with divine power and that in future we can hope only for achievements of broad collective masses. Rather we believe that today when in so many spheres of activity, master achievements are being performed, that in the realm of art also, the matchless worth of individuality will again make its triumphant appearance."

After declaring the Great German Art Exhibition of 1937 opened, the inaugural ceremony was closed with the singing of German National anthems. The Fuehrer then accompanied the guests of honour on a tour of inspection of the first representative art exhibition held in the Third Reich.—Trans-Ocean.

NOTED U.S. WOMAN LAWYER KILLED

Actor and Actress Held by Los Angeles Police

Los Angeles, July 18.

An actress and an actor were held by police to-night pending an inquest into the death of Miss Dorothy May Garland, 31, noted woman attorney, Miss Garland succumbed at Hollywood Receiving Hospital last night after a beating at her home.

Mrs. Kay Tutwiler, 29, who described herself as an actress, was detained on the technical booking of suspicion of murder, after police were informed she had pummelled the victim in a quarrel which followed a drinking party. Held with her as a material witness was Mr. Luther Allen, 32, who said he was an actor.—United Press.

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SENATORS RALLY TO STOP COURT BILL

Senator Robinson, Majority Leader, Laid to Rest

Little Rock, Ark., July 18.

Senator Joseph Taylor Robinson came home from the political wars to-day to rest in death beneath the red oak trees of Arkansas.

Men from high walks of life, men who had fought with him and against him in a life-time of legislative conflict, stood beneath the summer sun, shoulder to shoulder with the people of the Ozarks and the delta country, as the late senate majority leader was buried on a rolling, tree-studded hillside above the rusty waters of the Arkansas.

At the graveside, sweltering under a hot blue sky, were Senator Pat Harrison, Democrat of Mississippi; Senator Alben Barkley, Democrat of Kentucky; Senator Burton K. Wheeler, Democrat of Montana; Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg Republican of Michigan and others who this week will resume the conflict with perhaps even greater intensity.

Political Fight Goes On

Two problems in which the return of the Vice-President, Mr. John N. Garner, to the capital, may have a definite effect, faced the Senate delegation of 38 members on their return to Washington—the apparently final stage of the fight over the substitute judiciary-reorganization bill, and the selection of a new majority leader.

The Court bill opponents, refraining from formal political activities until after the services for Senator Robinson, privately expressed confidence to-day that they now had enough Senate votes to re-commit the measure to the Judiciary Committee, thus killing it for this session at least.

They were almost all agreed that a motion would be made this week, possibly on Tuesday, to re-commit the bill, although some of them continued to argue that a better course would be a fight for outright defeat of the measure.

Selection of a successor to Senator Robinson as majority leader is almost certain to be settled on Wednesday, when the Democrats of the upper chamber go into caucus. Chief contenders for the post are Senators Harrison and Barkley, both known in the past as Administration spokesmen and both supporters of the President's judiciary-reform bill.

Senator Vandenberg will probably be offered as the Republican candidate, but in view of the heavy Democratic majority in the Senate, his candidacy will be no more than a formality.—United Press.

TWO KILLED IN MEXICAN PLANE CRASH

Albuquerque, N. M., July 18.

Two persons were killed when their aeroplane nose-dived and crashed on a pleasure flight near here to-day. The dead were Mr. Horace Ross, 22, an amateur pilot, and Mr. Harold Kimmell, 20, a friend of Mr. Ross and the only passenger. Both lived in Albuquerque.—United Press.

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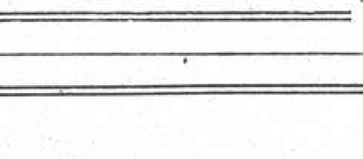

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4 months' sight credits 29⅜
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CLOSING RATES

Sterling ......1/2¼ U.S. $29½

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Bar Gold, per fine oz.	6.19.11	U.S.$35.00

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Native interest 10
Customs gold unit $2.259
„ „ „ versus £ Stg. 32.75 Pence
„ „ „ versus U.S. $ 67.875 Cents
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London	1/2½	Berlin	73½
New York .	30	Japan	103*
Paris	797	Hongkong .	97½

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Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

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U.S. G.$	29⅛	29⅜
Yen	101⅞	101¾

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

Cash July

	SELLING		BUYING
£ T.T.	1/2⅞	4 m/s. l.c.	1/2⅛
G.$ T.T	29⅛	4 m/s. l.c.	29⅛
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London silver at 20 d. showed a rise of 1/16 ready and forward. India bought. Speculators sold but the market closed quite and steady. There was no quotation received from New York and Bombay at 51.14 showed a rise of 2 annas. The local interbank exchange market opened yesterday morning with Government banks sellers sterling 1/2¼, U.S. $29½. The market remained steady throughout the day. The Yen quotation being 101¾. Forward quotations were weak and reflected the uncertainty of the political situation. At the close spot quotations were unchanged.

Gold Bar Quotations

	Morning	Afternoon
Opening	$1,143.00	——
Highest	1,144.50	——
Lowest	1,143.00	——
Closing	1,144.50	——

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Antamok	.85	.81
Atok	.24	.20
Baguio Gold	.19	.18
Batong Buhay	.013	.012
Benguet Consolidated	9.75	9.75
Benguet Exploration	.12	.05
Big Wedge	.17	.15
Coco Grove	.55	.53
Consolidated Mines	.02	.019
Dayaka	.11	.10
Demonstration	.51	.48
East Mindanao	.17	.16
Gold Creek	.14	.13
Ipo	.17	.16
Itogon	.66	.64
I X L	.65	.63
Masbate	.19	.18
Mother Lode	.20	.19
Mineral Resources	.20	.19
Mother Lode	.05	.05
Paracale Gold	.11	.10
Paracalegamus	.34	.30
San Mauricio	1.45	1.35
Suyoc	.29	.27
United Paracale	.66	.64
Universal Exploration	.15	.13
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Saturday's turnover: 2.886,300 shares. S. C. and F. Index: (Closing prices) 113.37.—Reuter.

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Member Bank Transfer	$54,541,443.54
Collections From Non Member Banks Native Banks and Firms	$ 7,841,748.17
Total	$95,197,557.19

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Middling ⅞	76.20
Strict Low Middling ⅞	73.25

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STOCKS	Opening Quotations July 19. Buy.	Sell.	Nom.
BANK & LOANS			
Central Properties $	—	—	15
ChinaBond&Share „	—	—	15
China Finance .. „	—	—	.40
H. & S. Bank Hk.$	—	—	1900
Int. Inv. Trust.. $	—	—	3.20
S'hai Loan & Inv. „	—	—	3.20
Union Mobiliere. „	—	—	20
Yangtsze Finance „	—	—	6.25
INSURANCES			
A.A.U. (ord.) .. $	—	—	10
Asia Life Ins. . „	16½	—	—
As'ce Fr. As. Fcs. „	—	—	90
Int. Ass. Co.,Ltd. „	—	—	3.90
Union Ins. . . Hk.$	—	—	624
LANDS			
Anglo-Fr. Land $	—	—	190
Cathay Land .. „	—	—	3
China Realty .. „	—	—	.90
Foncière& Im. .. „	—	—	190
Metro Lands 'A „	—	—	7
Metro Lands 'B' „	—	—	7
S'Sing Properties „	—	—	10
S'hai Land cum R „	—	—	—
S'hai Land ex. R. „	—	—	9½
S'hai Land Rights „	—	—	—
Tientsin Land .. „	—	—	68
DOCKS, WHARVES TRANSPORT			
New Eng. (ord.). $	—	—	3.20
S'hai Dock .. „	—	—	107
S. & H. Wharf . „	—	—	190
Wheelock .. .. „	—	—	16.80
UTILITIES			
C. G. Omnibus . $	—	—	13
S'hai Gas Co., Ltd.„	—	—	9.75
S'hai Telephone . „	—	—	78
Trams (Reg.) £1 „	—	—	37¾
„ (Bearer) £1 „	—	—	38
S.W.W.'A' £20.. „	—	—	628
S.W.W.'B' £1... „	—	—	25½
S.W.W.'C' £1... „	—	—	25½
MISCELLANEOUS			
Auto Palace .. $	—	—	5.75
Bakerite Co. 'B'. „	—	—	10
B.A.T.(Securities)'A'	—	—	91
Caldbeck, Mac. . $	—	—	16.20
C.I. & E. Lumber „	—	—	13
Chin. E. & M. Co. „	—	—	18
Chosen Corp. Ld. „	—	—	10
Culty Dairy .. „	—	—	15
Exploration .. „	—	—	1.95
Fr. Race Course. „	—	—	23
F. R. Course Non „	—	—	23
F.R.C.(Founders) „	—	—	50
Hall & Holtz .. „	—	—	9½
H. & S. Hotels Hk.$	—	—	8
Kelly & Walsh.. $	—	—	18
Mark L. Moody'. ..	—	—	6
Metal Ind.ofChinaLd.	—	—	9.90
Millington, Ltd. $	—	—	1.40
Office Appliance „	—	—	2½
S'haiVac.Cleaning „	—	—	7½
S.W.W. Fittings „	—	—	1½
Union Brewery . „	—	—	5
BONDS & PREFS			
A.Asiatic Und.8 % $	—	—	90
„ „ 7 % „	—	—	75
Caldbeck, Mac.8 %„	—	17½	—
China Finance 8 %„	—	—	4
Ewo Mills 8 % .. „	—	—	174
New Eng. 8 % . „	—	—	6.95
S'hai Power Co.. „	—	—	133½
S'hai Tugs 7 %.. „	—	—	66
S.W.W. 7 % .. „	—	—	16½
S.W.W. 6½ % .. „	—	—	15.80
COTTONS			
Ewo Mills (CumR.)$	—	—	16.40
„ „ (Ex. R.)„	—	—	15.50
„ „ (Rights)„	—	—	3
S'hai Cotton .. „	—	—	118¾
Zoong Sing .. „	—	—	37
PLANTATIONS			
Alma ..... $	—	—	21
Anglo-Dutch' ... „	—	—	8½
Anglo-Java..... „	—	—	15.20
Ayer Tawah ... „	—	—	5.75
Batu Anam ... „	1.23	—	—
Bute ..... „	—	—	5
Chemor United . „	1.34	—	—
Cheng ..... „	—	—	.89
Consolidated.... „	—	—	4.75
Dominion .... „	—	—	7.50
Gula (Bearer) .. „	—	—	36
Java Cons'ted .. „	2.20	—	—
Kapayang..... „	—	—	34½
Kedah ..... „	—	—	6.80
Kota Bahroe ... „	—	—	3.25
Kroewoek ..... „	—	—	1.07
Langkat ..... „	—	—	8.25
Padang ..... „	—	—	1.55
Permata ..... „	—	—	.80
Repah ..... „	—	—	.97
Rubber Trust, Ltd.	—	—	3.45
Samagaga ..... „	—	—	.93
Semambu ..... „	—	—	.95
Senawang ..... „	—	—	1.06
S'hai-Kelantan . „	—	—	.40
S'hai-Klebang .. „	—	—	.70
S'hai-Malay (ord.)„	—	—	25
S'hai-Malay (pref.)„	—	—	34
S'hai-Pahang ... „	—	—	3.55
S'hai Seremban . „	—	—	1.50
Sua Manggis.... „	—	—	1.50
Sumatra ..... „	—	—	134
Sungala ..... „	—	—	5.70
Sungei Duri ... „	—	—	34
Tanah Merah .. „	2.22½	—	—
Tebong ..... „	—	—	1.01
Ziangbe ..... „	—	—	13.90

LONDON BULLION EXCHANGE

SHANGHAI midnight last night= LONDON 3 p.m. Yesterday.

Midnight Bulletin

London, July 19.

Fairly active conditions prevailed on the London foreign exchange market this morning, with sterling ruling easy in terms of both dollars and francs.

After opening unchanged from Saturday's New York on London close at 497.25, the cross-rate on New York recorded a sharp decline of twenty points an hour later to 497.05. At the time of going to press, however, a slight rally of 7 points brought the quotation to 497.12.

French francs opened with a gain of thirteen points to 132.06, but lost nineteen points at 11 o'clock to 131.87. The rate continued to rule easy and by 1 o'clock was listed at 131.81, a net loss of twelve points from Saturday's close.

Bar gold remained unchanged at 139/11d.

Silver ruled quiet, with "spot" and forward quoted at 19 13/16d. and 20d., a decline of 3/16d. and unchanged respectively. Speculators sold, while business was small.

Conditions in the rubber market were slightly easier. At 1 p.m. Oct.-Dec. delivery was quoted at 9 3/16d. per lb., a drop of 1/8d. from Friday's closing level.—Reuter.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS

Liverpool, July 19.

Wheat in Liverpool opened lower owing to profit-taking due to poor week-end American advices. Later, values slightly improved owing to scarcity of contracts. At 1 p.m. October contract lost 1⅛d. to 9/8¾d. per 100 lb.

American cotton futures were easy, with December option losing six points at 1 o'clock to 6.61 pence per lb.—Reuter.

SILVER QUOTATIONS

London, July 19.

Quiet conditions prevailed in the London silver market to-day, with quotations being fixed at:—

	July 17	July 19
London spot	20d.	19 13/16d.
„ forward	20d.	20d.
London/New York:		
One pound	U.S.$4.97 1/16	$4.97½
One U.S. dollar	48.284d.	48.278d.

—Reuter.

Shanghai Exchange (Closing)

One Chinese dollar		1/2¼
do.		U.S.$0.29½
do.		Yen 1.01¾

Yesterday's Business

The continued uncertainty of the northern political situation resulted in a very small turn-over on the local stock exchange to-day.

Morning Session

OFFICIAL

			CASH
2,000	Batu Anam.	July	$ 1.25
2,000	Chemor		$ 1.35
20	Power (Pref)		$133.50
1,000	Tebong	July	$ 1.00
300	Metal Industries	July	$ 10.00
$1,000	S. M. C. 5½% 1936		$103.00
51	S. W. W. "A"		$626.00
$150,000	Telephone 6% Debs.		$ 99.75
$2,000	Power 5½% Debs.		$ 92.50
1,000	Anglo Dutch	July	$ 8.50

UNOFFICIAL

500	Metal Industries	Aug.	$ 10.10
20	Power (Pref)		$133.50

Afternoon Session

OFFICIAL

			CASH
4,000	Tanah Merah	July	$ 2.27½
₱2,200	F. M. C. 6% Debs. 1933		₱103.00
₱4,000	F.M.C. 6% Debs. 1931		₱103.00
₱200	F. M. C. 6% Debs. 1930		₱103.00
₱50,000	Telephone 6% Debs.		₱ 99.50
1,000	Tebong	July	$ 1.00

UNOFFICIAL

450	S. & H. Wharf	$160.00
100	Power (Pref)	$133.50
₱6,000	S. M. C. 6% Debs. 1926	₱100.00
₱1,000	S. M. C. 7% Debs. 1937	₱101.00
30	S. & H. Wharf	$160.00

	Shares	Bonds
Morning Session	6,901	1,530
Afternoon Session	5,580	650
Total	12,481	2,180

CHINESE EXTERNAL AND RAILWAY LOANS

Close prices yesterday were:—

		Buy.	Sell.	nom.
5%	Gold 1912 (Crisp)	£		88
5%	Reorganization Loan 1913:—			
	„ British	£		94
	„ French (S)	£		93
	„ Belgian (S)	£		92
	„ German (S)	£		92
	„ Russian (S)	£		91
5%	G.$ 1925-47:—			
	(French Boxer) (S.D.)	G.$		98
6%	G.$ 1928-41:—			
	(Belgian Boxer) (S.D.)	G.$		100
5%	S'hai-N'king Rly. (S)	£		86
	S.N.R. Net Profit Cert	£		9
5%	Tientsin-Pukow Rly. Loan:—			
	„ 1908 British (S)	£		70
	„ 1908 German (S)	£		70
	„ 1910 British (S)	£		70
	„ 1910 German (S)	£		70
5%	Honan Rly. 1905	£		80
5%	Hukuang Rly. Loan:—			
	„ 1911 L.P.N/Y (S)	£		70
	„ 1911 German (S)	£		68
5%	Lunghai Rly. 1913 (S)	£		41
8%	Lunghai Treasury Notes:—			
	„ Dutch (U)	G.$		35
	„ Belgian (U)	Fcs.		25
5%	Canton-Kowloon Rly. Loan:—			
	„ 1907 British (S)	£		52½
8%	Chinese Govt. Treas. Notes:—			
	Vickers (S)	£		40
	Marconi (S)	£		40
6%	Chi. U.S. $ Loan 1921	£		72
6%	Gvt. Int. 1934 (Sh') (U)	£		102
6%	S.H.N.R. Com. (S)	£		95½
6%	S.H.N.R. Com.(Sh') (U)	£		93½
8%	Skoda Loan	£	21	

S—Stamped. U—Unstamped.
S.D.—Shanghai Delivery.

OFFICIAL INDEXES

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

	July 17	19	Changes
S'hai Gen. Stock	46.52	46.52	Unch.
S'hai Rub. Share	273.36	272.10	down 1.26
Chi. Govt. Bond	101.34	102.86	up 1.52

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

SHANGHAI twelve o'clock midnight= NEW YORK 11 a.m. yesterday.

Midnight Bulletin

New York, July 19.

Fairly good buying support was witnessed at the opening of the stock market this morning. Under the leadership of steels, practically all sections responded to the upward movement. Rails were somewhat neglected, while utilities had a mixed trend. As trading progressed, demand continued unabated and the improvement was accelerated. At the time of going to press, substantial gains were recorded up to slightly over three points.

Realizing tended to ease cotton prices at the outset and October option declined four points from previous final call to 11.93. Good trade demand thereupon set in and October delivery improved eight points to 12.06. Profit-taking hampered the upward movement and a reaction of two points to 12.04 was registered for October contract.

Easier conditions prevailed in the rubber market. At the initial call, buyers were offering 18.85 for September option, a decline of thirteen points from yesterday's close. Business resulted at 18.92 for September delivery and no further change was recorded up to the end of the period under review.

Liquidation on a small scale governed wheat in the Chicago Grain Pit during early trading. Opening with a drop of ¼ cent from last final level to 127½, September delivery lost a further ⅛ cent to 127⅜. Corn prices also eased off in sympathy with wheat. At the time of going to press, September contract was quoted at 111½, a total decline of ⅞ cent from yesterday's close.

Silver futures on the Montreal exchange opened barely steady, September contract losing ten points to 44.50 bid and 45.00 asked.—Reuter.

"Wall Street Journal" Comment

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz and S. E. Levy & Co.

New York, July 19.

The market apparently is awaiting a break in the news, particularly as regards developments at Washington.

It is expected that Studebaker earnings may be published this week and that they probably will show a slight loss, the result of rising operating costs.

There is reported to be still a substantial short interest in Western Union.

July railroad revenues are expected to be substantially above those for the same month last year. It seems certain also that the July figures will exceed those for June, this year.

A. T. & T. bulls predict more active dealings if the market broadens.

Monday's Opening Quotations

	Satur. night Close	Mon. a.m. Open	10.30	11.00
Anaconda Copper	55½	55¾	56⅛	57
Baltimore & Ohio	28	28	28	28⅛
Bethlehem Steel	93	94⅜	94½	94½
Chrysler	101⅝	102½	104½	105
Elec. Bond & Sh.	18⅛	18⅛	18⅜	18⅜
Gen. Motors	52⅞	52⅞	53⅜	53⅛
Int. Tel. & Tel.	12⅝	12⅝	12⅞	12⅞
N.Y. Central	39½	39½	39⅞	39⅞
St. Oil of N.J.	70½	70½	70½	71⅛
U.S. Steel	116⅞	117⅞	118	118⅛
Cotton Oct.	12.02-03	11.98-98	12.06	12.04
Cotton Dec.	11.95-65	11.93-94	11.99	11.97
Rubber Sept.	18.98-9.00	18.65B-95A	18.92	18.92
Chic. W. Sept.	128-127⅞	127¾-127½	—	127⅞
Chic. C. Sept.	112½-112⅜	112-111¾	—	111½

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

FRESH CALLS ON FRENCH PEOPLE

M. Georges Bonnet Hints at Future Demands

GREAT EFFORTS MUST BE MADE FOR FRANC

Paris, July 19.

Further steps are impending in the French Government's battle to save the position of the national treasury and the franc, declared the Finance Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, to the press last night after a long interview with the Premier, M. Camille Chautemps. The two statesmen were discussing the next financial measures which are to be proposed before the Council of Ministers on Tuesday.

M. Bonnet stated that the effort already asked of the country had permitted balancing the ordinary budget, "but this does not suffice; we have expenses above and beyond the budget, which for the end of 1937 and all of 1938 involve extremely heavy obligations for the Treasury."

Economies to be Practised

The Treasury is not contemplating further taxes.

"After the financial burden that has been shouldered, no supplementary charge can be demanded of the country to-day," the Finance Minister continued. "I am therefore obliged to achieve economies in expenditure, and a rigid control over all expenses of the Treasury."

The balancing of the ordinary budget and the paring of the extraordinary budget to the strict necessities of national defence will bring back confidence to holders of national bonds, he said. The present rate of these bonds does not now correspond with the state of national credit.

"I intend," he continued, "to be particularly vigilant over state bonds. Our task is difficult because we have to devote such important sums to national defence. My programme of economic recovery is being carried out methodically, however, and for this protracted task, I have unanimous support."—Havas.

PARIS BOURSE WEEKLY REVIEW

Paris, July 19.

During the four sessions of last week (the exchanges were closed on July 14), the Bourse was frankly ill-disposed, owing largely to the internal situation, since the foreign horizon was less disturbing for the past few days.

Among the principal causes were the strike in the cafe and restaurant industry, the debates at the Socialist Congress in Marseilles, where it became apparent that a minority however small is still opposed to Socialist participation in the Chautemps Cabinet, the extension of the Popular Front programme demanded at the Congress, and certain technical factors.

The semi-monthly liquidation which took place on Thursday improved conditions, since available silver was obtained at 5½ per cent. instead of 8½ per cent. as last time.

The drop in Rentes was important, varying between four and seven points. Other French counters resisted fairly well, but were affected by Rentes and underwent losses of about 5 per cent. in most cases. In certain compartments, however, coal, electricity, and chemical particularly, the drop was more than this.

Internationals, on the other hand, gained appreciably, Suez gaining 470 Francs and Royal Dutch 215.

The tension in exchange was particularly strong on Friday, but more so on Saturday, when Sterling and the Dollar were traded respectively between 130 and 132 Frs. and 26.20 and 26.53 Frs. On amounts carried over, there was a lively rise. Sterling was at 2 Frs. as compared with the Frs. 1.10 of a week ago, and the Dollar was at Frs. 0.41.—Havas.

CHINA COMMODITIES

Yesterday's Quotations

		Opening	Closing
Cotton. July	pic.	41.60	41.50
November		43.75	43.20
Yarn 20's July	bale	254.10	256.00
October		257.00	258.00
Flour, G. W. Aug.	bag	3.815	3.815
November		—	—
Wheat, July	pic.	—	—
November		6.43	—
Soya-bean, July	pic.	6.05	6.00
August		—	—
Bean-oil, July		21.10	21.00
September		—	—
Bean-cake, July	Piece	2.13	2.10
August		—	—
		Chinese	Saigon
Rice, best retail	pic.	12.80	11.40
good retail		12.00	10.40
ordinary		11.30	9.40

DOMESTIC BONDS

Yesterday's Quotations

	Opening	Closing
Consolidated "E," July	74.10	73.65
August	72.00	71.55
Consolidated "D," July	73.00	73.60
August	71.80	71.80
Consolidated "C," July	74.50	75.20
August	73.40	73.20
Consolidated "B," July	77.60	77.55
August	76.20	75.30
Consolidated "A," July	78.60	78.45
August	77.70	76.15
96 Million, July	13.25	12.75
August	13.55	12.95
17th Year Currency	—	—

HOVIS' CONSISTENT PROGRESS

Business Strong, Healthy and Vigorous in All Departments: The Position of Wheat

The thirty-ninth ordinary general meeting of Hovis, Ltd., was held on June 30 at Caxton Hall, London, S.W.

Mr. A. H. Dence, J.P. (the chairman), presided, and in the course of his speech said: This is the thirty-ninth anniversary of our company, and your directors are able to report that the business continues to progress, and is strong, healthy and vigorous in all its departments. The balance-sheet, accounts and profit and loss account to be considered to-day are in every way satisfactory and reveal a very strong position. There are but few companies that have shown in the past such a consistent record as our own over such a long series of years, and in which, not only have profits been so steadily progressive, but also in which such regular and generous dividends have been maintained.

The net profit on trading, after making the usual provisions for income-tax, contingencies and other expenses, is this year £190,269 10s. 11d. This figure is a new record for the company, and we hope is as pleasing and satisfactory to the shareholders as it is to the directors and members of the company.

In considering the allocation of these profits your directors have had to bear in mind the fact that the Chancellor of the Exchequer is placing additional taxation on the profits of limited liability companies, and until the full amount of such taxation is known we feel it is incumbent upon us to exercise caution in our recommendations. Also it becomes necessary, when wheat is high in price, as it still is at the present time, to conserve our resources to meet any sudden or unexpected turns in the market, and to prepare for the inevitable fall in prices when such comes. We are, therefore, recommending the payment of the same dividend and bonus as last year, which we feel is all that can be safely done at the present time.

As soon, however, as the incidence of the new taxation is known and the board feel that they are justified in doing so, they will reconsider the position in the hope that they may be able to make a higher distribution at a later date. In addition to the dividend, the directors propose to place £30,000 to the general reserve fund, £15,000 to the dividend equalization reserve, and £20,000 to the Hovis pension fund. With regard to the reserves, the directors are only continuing the policy that I have laid down in past speeches, and the amount of £20,000 to the pension fund is not too large in view of the prosperous year we have enjoyed.

During the twelve months under review the international wheat supply position underwent a startling change. Last summer there was serious damage done to the growing Canadian wheat crops and also to the American crops, owing to excessively hot weather and lack of rain.

This following a short Argentine harvest and two or three years of deficient harvests in America, resulted in a substantial reduction in the world wheat surplus. The harvests in Italy and Germany were not sufficient for home consumption, and these two countries came into the international market as large purchasers of wheat, causing the price to rise very considerably. In the last few months, however, with the approach of American, Canadian and European harvests, the position is less strained and prices have eased from recent high levels, but it would be dangerous to forecast what course the wheat market is likely to take, and we may possibly be faced with dear wheats for some considerable time to come.

The Fitter Britain Movement

No doubt all our shareholders have read with interest the proposals of the Government for inaugurating a "Fitter Britain" movement. A Bill has been introduced into Parliament and committees have been formed with the purpose of considering proper ways and means of improving the health and physique of the nation, especially the youth of the nation, by all reasonable and legitimate means. Your directors have been fully alive to the importance of this new movement, and have realised that no matter what steps may be proposed to attain the ends in view, the importance of these steps can but be enhanced if they are linked with education as to the proper food and dietary to be employed at all ages.

To assist, therefore, in these national schemes we have produced "charts" of physical exercises for men and women, drawn up by experts. These charts are accompanied by recommendations as to the most suitable dietary for daily use. Exercise by itself is not sufficient for proper physical fitness: it is essential that it should be supplemented by correct dietary. The daily use of Hovis bread in conjunction with the exercises which we have published will go a very long way towards securing that national physical fitness at which our Government aims.

The chart for women was drawn up for us by the Women's League of Health and Beauty, one of whose representatives was an early choice for the National Advisory Council, who are responsible for the national scheme. Many tens of thousands of these charts, especially that for girls and women, have been distributed to those applying for them.

Dietetic Value of Hovis

In this connection a very interesting experiment is being carried out at a large school at which the company offered to provide the boys with Hovis bread as a trial. This is under the special observation of the medical officer of the school and also of our own consulting physiologists. The final conclusions have not yet been received, but I can state from the interim reports to hand that the results will fully substantiate and justify the claims of the company as regards the immense dietetic value of the product which we offer so persistently to the public. We are satisfied that the daily use of Hovis bread can do much to promote the good health of the people of the nation, and we are all of us proud to be associated with the work of a company whose product we consider to be so vitally necessary to the national physique.

During the year under review the sales of Hovis bread have continued to be satisfactory, but the very success of our company has helped to stimulate competitors, and we are year by year subjected to ever keener competition from many new sources as well as from old rivals. Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, and, while not relaxing our efforts, but rather increasing them, we can but accept the compliment our competitors pay us. The influenza epidemic of the winter and early spring had a most deleterious effect upon trade generally, especially on the food trades, and from that depression we are only now really beginning fully to recover.

In a report issued by the Ministry of Health we read that there is not likely to be a return of a similar epidemic for at least two years, so in the interim we shall use our best endeavours to induce our friends, shareholders and supporters to adopt such regular system of nourishment as is supplied by the systematic use of Hovis bread as may minimise the effects of any future epidemic if and when it should return.

PATONS & BALDWINS' TRADING PROFITS

Further Expansion Noted For Year Ended May 1

The full report for the year ended May 1 last of Patons and Baldwins, Ltd., the wool and yarn manufacturers, shows that trading profits rose from £566,508 to £610,959.

The depreciation allowance is about £1,000 lower at £126,952, and after deducting directors' fees and Debenture interest, there remains a balance of £463,782—an increase of £45,785.

As already known, the total distribution on the increased Ordinary stock is maintained at 12½ per cent. tax free, and the allocations to reserve and pensions are repeated at £125,000 and £20,000 respectively, leaving a balance of £73,203 to go forward.

The balance-sheet shows stock-in-trade at £3,569,208, against £3,148,881 and cash is £3,396 up at £7,976.

Of the £5,000,000 authorised capital, the company has now £3,278,596 outstanding in £1,359,447 Preference stock and £1,919,149 Ordinary stock following the issue on bonus terms in July last year.

The chairman is Mr. W. T. Procter.

Meeting, Halifax, July 21, at 2 p.m.

JAPANESE GOVT. BONDS

Osaka, July 19.

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—Reuter.

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Staged by the Air Ministry, the play included 600 French planes. Observers held their breath as aviators like M. Marcel Doret (recent contender in the Paris-Tokyo Air race), and Messrs. Detroyet and Malinvaud, wheeled and circled in their planes, staged sham battles overhead, and did all sorts of dramatic stunts.

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Special Jury's Verdict on Cause of Horrible Explosion on the Launch Dojima Maru

The hearing of the Hongkong inquest into the death of Kwok Mun, seaman, who was one of the many victims who lost their lives as a result of an explosion on the Osaka Shosen Kaisha steam launch concluded on July 15 before Mr. W. Schofield (Coroner) when the special jury, comprising Messrs. L. C. F. Bellamy (Foreman), M. H. Lo and W. T. Stanton delivered their verdict.

Mr. O. E. C. Marton held a watching brief on behalf of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., while Mr. J. T. Prior represented the O.S.K. Insp. Hopkins, assisted by Det-Sergt. Estall, were present on behalf of the police.

The verdict of the jury was that the cause of the explosion was due to the steel strip with which the boiler was repaired in 1934. This failure was due to the fatigue crack which would not be apparent at the half-yearly inspection. It could only be ascertained by cutting a piece of the boiler and submitting it to tensile tests. Whether the piece of steel forming the strip was or was not up to standard the jury could not say.

The jury added: "We are satisfied with the evidence and that no boiler steel in the future is to be accepted unless it is tested by the Board of Trade or satisfies the Government Marine Surveyor, after the safety valve has been set at the working pressure."

"We also suggest for the consideration of the Government the desirability of introducing legislation along the lines of the Explosion Act of 1882, and, inter alia, to ensure that any similar enquiry such as the present unfortunate one, would be undertaken by experts."

The jury commended the coxswain of the Dojima Maru for the work he did in rendering assistance to the injured on the pier.

Boiler Inspections

On July 14, Mr. W. S. Smith, Assistant Government Marine Surveyor, deposed to inspections he had made of the boiler of the Dojima Maru.

Witness said he made his final survey on January 11 this year, adjusted the safety valve to 125 lbs. per square inch and locked them with padlocks, keeping the keys at the Harbour Office. On January 12, a certificate was issued, valid up to July 2, 1937.

Through hydraulic tests, numerous defects could be discovered, he said, and in most cases such tests were quite deep. When witness inspected the Dojima Maru boiler, he found a crack of a dangerous nature. Witness noticed nothing wrong with the safety valve of the boiler when it was taken out of the harbour after the explosion; also he saw no signs of it having been tampered with. The bursting of the boiler was directly due to the crack he found, witness opined.

Witness said the tests carried out by the Government Marine Surveyors were identically the same as those carried out by the Board of Trade. He thought the tests carried out on the launch's boiler would be passed by that body.

Summing Up

In summing up the Coroner said:—You have now heard the whole of the evidence regarding the disaster we are investigating. Before going further I wish to offer the deep sympathy of the Court to all who have been injured or bereaved, and to the O.S.K. in whose care they were.

You will remember the rumours that went round the Colony that there was high explosive on the launch, and that this was responsible for the violence of the explosion. Nothing whatever has been produced to lend any support to this view, and there is ample evidence before us to prove that everything that happened can be accounted for by the sudden release of steam under a pressure normal for a launch of the type of the Dojima Maru, that is, 110 to 125 lbs. per sq. inch. Major Walker's evidence alone appears conclusive on the point.

Spectacular Effect

The most spectacular effect of the explosion was perhaps the manner in which Kwok Mun, whose death we are investigating, was flung from Queen's Pier to the roof of the H.K. Club.

The cause of the explosion, then, must be sought in the boiler and its accessories, the chief of which is of course the safety valve. Part of it was found on the corner of the pier: the rest lies somewhere in the mud, stripped off and lost when the boiler was torn open. Mr. Butterfield and Mr. Jackson have stated that the part of the valve recovered, though somewhat damaged, shows no evidence of having been tampered with and you will remember that such valves are regulated by the Gvt. Marine Surveyor who conducts the survey and eventually locks the valve to prevent tampering.

An additional argument against tampering is absence of motive: Mr. Jackson showed that an increased load on the safety valve would give increased speed and increased coal consumption, and the only advantage of this would be if the Dojima Maru was competing against other launches, which was obviously not the case.

Valve Seats

Another possibility is that the valve seats, which are in the lost portion, were not in the correct position; but Mr. Butterfield describes the possibility as remote, the more so as the valve is duplex: the effect of this would have been to close the steam outlet and prevent escape when pressure exceeded 125 lb., and in this connection it will be remembered that no one noticed steam being blown off, though with one exception. They added that they would not have noticed if it was.

The actual point of failure lay in the boiler shell at the lap joint on the starboard side where the strip was added to the original shell—the upper strake—in 1924. Except for this strip the whole boiler was described as being in very good order. Mr. Butterfield says that when he examined the fracture he saw that the crystalline structure embrittlement, adversely affecting the ductility of the plate; this he called fatigue of the metal.

There was no sign of mechanical failure of any part of the boiler, which would be manifested by leakage of water.

The quality of this strip of steel has been tested in several ways: 1, At the University on a testing machine, when it was shown to have a ductility and elongation co-efficient considerably inferior to that of the old shell, and a good deal below the minimum standard for boiler steel.

Chemical analysis showed the strip had a lower carbon content than the shell by .03 per cent; this would give a lower tensile strength for the strip, as well as inferior hardness, as was found to be the case on the Vickers Hardness testing machine at the Naval Yard. Another possible result of the lower carbon content may have been the large size of the crystals of iron.

The impact test applied at the Naval Yard showed again the inferiority of the strip steel, which broke at 37 foot-pounds as against the shell steel's 50. Mr. Simpson's opinion of the strip was that it was a "borderline" steel, only just suitable for its purpose. He was, however, unable to find actual microscopical evidence of the crystal cleavages characterising fatigue fractures, as the fracture was too much rusted.

Was Inferior

There is, therefore, ample evidence that the strip steel was inferior. We learn that before the increase of the Marine Surveyor Staff in 1929, recognised steelmakers' certificates were accepted for new strips, and B.O.T. certificates were not insisted on, but that since 1929 either they are produced or B.O.T. tests are applied locally.

As regards the adequacy of the survey, all the experts agree that if fatigue along the lap joint caused the failure, no examination of the boiler, external or internal, could detect it: the hydraulic test is usually relied on to show such a defect, and undoubtedly is a case where it failed to do so, probably because such cracks as there were microscopical at that time.

Corrosion pitting as the cause of failure has been ruled out, as no such pitting exists in the whole boiler shell. There is also evidence that the crack was wholly internal, as there were no signs of its having been external when the boiler was examnied just after its salvage on May 18. The inspection in 1936 appears to have been thorough and adequate.

No Tampering

You now have to decide whether the boiler burst through defect in the safety valves causing excessive steam pressure, or through failure of the strip of metal at the lap joint at a normal pressure. The one is a remote possibility, the other a strong probability: and if Mr. Butterfield is right, the existence of fatigue is proved. The possibility that the value was tampered with is remote also, and may be dismissed.

If it had been proved, it would be evidence of criminal recklessness, and might even have justified a verdict of manslaughter. But as this verdict and that of suicide, are ruled out by the evidence, there remains only the verdict of misadventure. If in addition to your verdict you wish to make comments, or suggestions for avoiding such disasters in future, you are at liberty to add such riders to your verdict as you wish.

SOVIET SCIENTISTS FOR ARCTICS

Three More Stations Will be Set Up in Frozen North

Archangel, July 18.

The drifting North Pole station reports, that on July 17 the winterers there were located at 88 deg. 9 min. north latitude, 2 deg. 30 min. west long-titude. In all the ice-floe has drifted about 330 kilometres in a broken line.

Three new polar stations will be set up in the Soviet Arctics this year for scientific observations and research work.

A colony of scientists will pitch a camp on one of the islands of the De Long Archipelago. Since the discovery of these islands by the brave American, Captain De Long, they have actually been very little explored. The colony may possibly settle in high latitudes, on the mysterious Sanikov Land, which will be sought by an expedition soon. The personnel of this station has been chosen from among experienced polar explorers and will be under the supervision of M. Mukhanov.

Of no less importance for polar navigation will be the second station for the south coast of Kotelny Island in the Sannikov Straits. This station will make it possible to study the feasibility of regular marine traffic through the Sannikov Straits. M. Ruzov, has been appointed chief of this station.

The third new polar station will be set up for the first time at Cape Chaplino in Providence Bay to organize coastal hydro-biological observations, deep water stations, and the observation of the drifting ice. A special apparatus, the photo-heliograph, makes it possible to photograph the sun. Automatic balloons will be systematically sent up from the station to the higher strata of the atmosphere. The station will also study the properties of the hot springs, the temperature of which reaches 90.6 deg. F. The chief of this station will be M. Kapitokhin. Together with these three new stations, 57 polar stations will be functioning in the Soviet Arctics.—Tass.

SEARCH FOR MRS. PUTNAM ABANDONED

U.S. Warships Return After Fruitless Efforts

Honolulu, July 18.

The search of the United States Navy for Mrs. Amelia Earhart Putnam and Capt. Frederick Noonan, lost on their attempted flight round the world, has been terminated, it was announced to-day by Admiral Orin Gould Murfin, commandant of the Fourteenth Naval District.

Aeroplanes of the aircraft-carrier Lexington returned to the mother-ship to-day after a luckless search all afternoon, which "cleaned up" the final area in which it was thought the missing fliers might be found.

The Lexington was to start directly for San Diego to-night, with the destroyers Swan and Colorado going to Pearl Harbour.—United Press.

THE RADIO

To-day's Short Wave Programmes

Wave-lengths are given in metres; to convert into kilocycles or vice versa divide 299,820 (300,000) by the known figure thus:—

299,820 (300,000) ÷ 21.45 metres = 13,931 k/cs.

Daventry, England:—From 12.30 to 13.45, Trans. 1, GSG, 18.86; GSD, 19.76; GSB, 31.55, 18.45 to 21.55 Trans. 2. GSJ, 19.93 GSH, 13.97; GSG, 16.86. (on two transmitters one designed specially for the Far East). From 22.00 to 1.00 Trans. 3, GSJ, 13.93 GSH, 13.97; GSG, 16.86 (on two transmitters).

Via Hongkong:—ZBW3, 31.49

Berlin, Germany:—From 19.00 to 24.00 DJB, 19.74; DJE, 16.89; DJN 31.45 DJQ, 19.63. N.B.—At 22.00. News in English over DJE-N-Q in Netherlandish over DJB.

Rome, Italy:—From 19.43 to 21.20, and 22.00 to 23.30, 2RO, 25.4.

Victoria, Australia:—From 16.30 to 21.30. VK3LR, 31.34.

Paris, France:—From 17.00 to 18.00 TPA3, 25.24; from 19.00 to 00.05, TPA2, 19.68; from 00.15 to 7.00, TPA3, 25.24; from 7.15 to 14.00, TPA4, 25.60.

Manila, P.I.:—From 6.30 to 9.00 and 19.00 to 23.00, KZRM, 25.38; 31.35; Sundays, 18.00 to 24.00 (Testing at present; regular broadcasts from July 15).

America:—High-lights of the short-wave programmes from the United States are incorporated where they fall within the hours of local reception the figures following the various items give the wave-length of that particular programme.

The letters after the following items indicate the station (see above) from which the broadcast is made. An asterisk after a Daventry item indicates that it is an electrical recording.

12.30 Cafe Colette Orches.* (D)
13.10 "Empire Exchange"* (D)
13.25 BBC Theatre Organ (D)
13.55 News (D)
14.15 Davis Cup* (D)

18.45 "Ezra and Elmer" (D)
19.00 Concert (B)
19.15 Lionel Johns' Orches. (D), B. Moiseiwitch, pianist (V)
19.43 Rome, till 22.00 (R)
20.00 "Empire Mail Bag"* (D), A play (V), News (B), (P), 31.3 (BO)
20.15 Concert from Paris P.T.T. (P)
20.25 News, 19.5 (S)
20.30 News (V), Piano recital (D)
20.45 Hanwell Silver Band (D), Talk on French Events (P)
20.55 News, 16.8 (NY)
21.00 News in German (B), Concert from Strasbourg (P), Breakfast Club, 13.9 (CH)
21.15 "Voices in the Night" (B), News, 13.9 (PT)
21.30 News (D), in French (P)
22.00 News (B), Talk (P), Rome, till 23.30:—News in English and Chinese, concerts, etc.
22.15 "World Affairs" (D), Sound pictures (B)
22.30 Davis Cup (D), Play: "Love's Season" (P), Overtures: Weber (B)
22.40 News, 13.9 (NY)
22.45 Orchestral concert (B)
22.55 News, 19.5 (S)
23.00 News, 16.8 (NY), 19.7 (PT), 31.3 (BO)
23.30 Cafe Colette Orchestra* (D)
23.45 "Daily Life in Germany" (B)
00.10 News (D)
00.15 News in French (P)
00.30 Karl Caylus Players (D)
01.00 Concert from Toulouse (P), News, 19.7 (PT), 31.3 (BO)

Art and Culture

1400 Kilocycles

12.30 — 14.00.—Robert le Pirate; L'amour; Tonton; Je n'ai pas de famille; Florestan ler; Margot; Bonsoir Paris; Amour vainqueur; Normandie: L'avenir est à nous; Mitzi Mitzou: Pour un amant; Au soleil du Mexique: J'ai peur; Quand on a 20 ans: C'est une devinette; Toi c'est moi: Sélection chantée; Bulletin Météorologique.

Aubade (Poulenc): Toccata et récitatif, Rondeau, Presto et récitatif, Andante, Allegro et conclusion.

Quand les papillons, Chant de l'adoration, L'air, Le parfum impérissable, Trois Valses 1900: Quand l'amour meurt etc., Mélancolie, Pourquoi s'attarder, Printemps, Chantons l'amour, Non, ce n'est pas un jeu, L'énamourée, Lettre a Ginette, Nostalgie.

18.30—20.00.—Le rendez vous, Ce n'est qu'un souvenir, Divertissement, Coucou Valse, Sous le ciel Persan, Elle rien qu'elle, Un baiser vaut davantage, Angoisse d'amour, Chant du soir, C'est le disque d'amour, Bulletin Météorologique. Lecture anthologic.

Symphonie No. 4 en la Majeur (Mendelssohn).

Un baiser de femme sous un ciel de feu, Quand tout s'endort, Fabrication de la confiture de nouilles, A Fine Romance, Reste, Ici l'on rêve, Estampe Marocaine, Jota del amor, Alone, J'aime Paris.

21.00—21.15.—Causerie de Madame Claude Rivière: Romaine ou Parisienne? Femme tout simplement.

21.15—23.00.—Haydn: Quatuor en ré maj. op. 76 No. 5; Brahms: Trio en si maj.; A. Tansman: Suite divertissement; Mozart: Quatuor en si bém. maj.; P. Hindemith: Trio.

CHURCH SCHISM IN YUGOSLAVIA

Greek and Roman Churches Seek Rights

Belgrade, July 19.

The Yugoslavian Chamber begins its discussion to-day on the concordat concluded between the Government and the Vatican on July 25, 1935, an issue hotly contested by the Serbian Orthodox Church on grounds that it grants privileges to the Roman Catholic religion.

The Serbian Church appeals to the religious equality guarantee in the national constitution. The Government protests that the concordat is a heritage left by the previous Government and that it must be ratified to honour the signature of the Minister of Justice who concluded it.

The bill for ratification was passed in the Chamber's special committee a few days ago by the narrow majority of eleven votes to ten. The Premier, M. Milan Stoyadinovitch has declared to the Government majority in parliament, his own views as a good orthodox churchman, urging an amendment to the concordat, once more confirming the absolute equality of all sects in Yugoslavia.—Havas.

POLISH PARTY CHIEF ESCAPES DEATH

Bomb for Col. Adam Kocz Hurts Thrower

Warsaw, July 19.

Col. Adam Kocz, head of the new National Party, narrowly escaped death yesterday evening. While in his home in Swidry Maly, outside the city of Warsaw, an attempt was made to bomb the Party leader's residence. Col. Kocz escaped uninjured, but the author of the attempted assassination was injured when the bomb exploded.

The sound of the explosion was heard in Warsaw and the Vice-Minister of the Interior rushed immediately to the Colonel's home. An enquiry by the police has been started, and it is supposed that the motives for the deed were of a political nature.—Havas.